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the eyght, by the grace of God kinge of Englad
france, and Irelande, defender of the faith,
and of the church of England and also of Ireland,
in earth Supreme head.

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An acte for the offices of Custos Rotulorum; and clerkes
of the peace. Cap. 1.



Where before this time the lord Chancellor of England for the time being, hath by reason of his office of the chancery, the nomination and appointment of the Custos rotulorum within al euerie shire of this realm of England and Wales and other the kings dominions, marches & territories of the same, & that in like manner al and euerie persons, which had had & enioyed the said office of Custos rotulorum, hath had until now late the nomination and appointment of the clerke of the peace in such shires wher he or they had & enioyed the said office of the Custos rotulorum. And wher now of late diuers & sundrie persons within this realm, being not lerned nor yet mete to be able for lacke of knowlege & learninge to occupie & exercise the said offices of the Custos rotulorum, & of the clerkship of the peace have of late peres by labour, frendship, & meanes attained & gotte for termes of their liues of the kings maiestie, seuerall grauntes by his highnes letters patentes to them made of the said clerkships of the peace. By reason wherof, and for that the parties to whom the said seuerall grauntes have bene so made and graunted, haue not bene sufficiently leaured to exercise and occupie the same office and offices, many and sundrie indifferences as well of felonie, murder, and other offences, and misdemeanours, and the peace is troubled upon the same indifferences, haue not only bene the occasion therof made cleerlye sensible and voided somwhat by reason of the negligent ingrossinge and keepinge of the said indifferences, & sometime by reason of the imbeddinge & recalcure of the same indifferences, but also diuers and sundrie bargaynes and sales of diuers and sundrie manors, landes and tenementes had and made betwene parties and parties, haue bene made fraudulent and void, for lacke of sufficient enrolemente of the bargaynes and sales to be had and made by the clerkes of the peace, to the greates hinderaunce of Justice, and to the disinheritaunce of diuers of the kings most loving subiectes.

For reformation wherof, to the intent that iustice may be the better hereafter preferred, and that the same offices maie hereafter bee occupied and exercised bye such persons, leaured in the lawes of this realm, as shalbe able to exercise and supplie the same: Be it enacted by the kinge our soueraigne lord, with the assent of the lordes spiritual and temporall and of the commons in this present parliament assembled; and by authority of the same, that no person or persons shall from henceforth bee nominated and appointed to the said office and offices of the Custos rotulorum within any shire of this realm of Englande, Wales and other the kings dominions, marches & territories of the same, but such as shall haue a bill signed with the kings hande for the same, whiche bill signed

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Shalbe a sufficient warrant by the auctoritie abovesaide, to the saide lord chauncellour of England, and lord keeper of the greatesseale, for the time being, to make from time to time commission or commissions, assignynge and authorisinge thereby the same person to be Custos Rotulorum, until the kinge hath by an other byll assigned with his owne hande, appointed and ordeined one other person to have occupy and exercise the same office of the Custos rotulorum, and that the said person appointed and assigned to be Custos Rotulorum, as is abovesaide, shalle and maye occupy, exercise and enioye the same office of the Custos Rotulorum by him selfe or by his sufficient deputie, leened in the lawes of this realme, and mete and able to supply the saide office accordinge to the tenour of the saide grant or commission.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament that euerie Custos Rotulorum for the time beinge, shall at all times hereafter in euerye shyre of this realme, as ales, and other the kinges Dominions, marches and territories of the same, nominate elect appoint and assigne all and euerye person and persons, whiche hereafter shall be clerkes of the peace within anye of the said shires of this realme of England, as ales and other the kinges Dominions, marches and territories of the same, and to geue and graunte the same office and offices of the clerkeshippe of the peace to such able person instructed in the lawes of this realme, as shal be able to exercise and occupy the same, to holde and enioye the same duringe the time that the saide Custos rotulorum shalle occupy and exercise the lordshipp office of Custos rotulorum, so that the saide clerke demeaneth him in the said clerkeshipp and honestly. And that it be lawfull to euerye such grantee of the said clerkeshipp to occupy and enioye the same office of the clerkeshipp of the peace by him selfe or by his sufficient deputie instructed in the lawes of this realme, so that the same deputie be admitted taken and reputed by the said Custos rotulorum, to be sufficient and able to exercise occupy and enioye the same office of the clerkeshippe of the peace.

And be it enacted by the auctoritie abovesaide, that all such as now haue anye of the saide offices of Custos rotulorum or clerkeshipp of the peace, by the kinges letters patentes of commissione to them made, shal and maye enioye haue and exercise their saide offices by vertue of the same letters patentes or commission by them selfe or by their sufficient and able deputie, instructed in the lawes of this realme. And nothing in this present acte said or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it enacted by auctoritie abovesaide, that the archbishop of yorke, the bishop of Durham, the bishop of Elye and euerye of their successours, and all and euerye such person and persones, corporations and bodies, incorporated, to whome the kinges maiestie or anye of his noble progenitors by his or their letters patentes, haue geuen and

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granted anie libertie and auctoritie, or otherwise haue auctoritie by other lawfull meanes or waies to ordeine make and constitute anie of the sayde officers of Custos rotulorum or clerke of the peace within anie countie palentine or other place, shall and maie haue and enioye the same libertie & auctoritie, accordinge as they haue had & enioyed the same, anie thing in this presente acte had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

An acte for the particion of Hounslow heathe. Cap. ii.



Here the kinges maiestie is at this presente seyled of one estate of inheritance of the waste grounde and soyle commonly called Hounslow heathe, containing in it selfe foure thousande twoe hundred foure score thirtene acres and one roode, lying and extendinge into the fieldes parishes and hamlettes of Isleworth, Brinsford ende, Twickenham, Weston, Feltham, Harlington, Craynesfeld, Harmondsworth, Stanwell, Hanworth, Bedfont, Hampton, Hounslow, and Uxbridge in his graces Countie of Midd. His highnesse moste prudentlie consideringe, that as the barrenesse and infertilitie therof by wante of diligence and industrie of men necessarilie required for the amendemente or maintenaunce of anie grounde, that shall bring forth his fruite, breedeth as well scarcitie and lacke of all maner of graine, grasse, woodde and other necessarie thinges amonges his graces subiectes the inhabitantes of the said parishes, as also is the verie originall mother and continuall nurse of verthe of thinges amonges his people dwellinge in the confines of the same: Euen to the conuersion therof into tillage and severall pasture, by mennes labour and peines, besides that it shall be an exile of idlenesse in those parties, muste of necessitie cause and bring forth to all his saide subiectes plentie and abundaunce of all the thinges aboue remembred. And albeit his highnesse might iustlie by the auncient lawes of this his realme approue to his owne peculiar profite and aduauntage a great parte of the same waste and heath, neuerthelesse his maiestie most graciously tenderinge more the common weale of his subiectes there, than the aduaancement of his owne commoditie, hath not all onely al redie to his greate costes and charges caused diuers of his counsell, and others of his officers and ministers by vertue of his graces commission in that behalfe to them directed, to repaire thither, to viewe surueie and consider the sayd waste and heathe, and there vpon to assigne out by metes and boundes to euerie of the saide parishes, a conueniente parte and porcion of the same, and out of those partes and porcions by lotte to appointe in seueralltee to euerie inhabitant within the saide parishes and hamlettes, suche quantitee of the sayde heath, as by the discretion of the sayde commissioners was thought mete and conuenient, hauinge a speciall regarde to the numbꝛe of the inhabitauntes in euery parishe, and to the numbꝛe of acres of heath

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limited to euerie of the said hamlettes and parishes, but also is contented and pleased at the humble petition and suite of his saide subiectes, to who and their posteritie the commoditie therof shall specially redound, that it be enacted by his highnes, as hereafter ensueth.

¶ Therefore be it ordeined enacted and established by the kinge, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and of the commons in this present parliamente assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that suche parte and so muche of the saide waste and heathe, wherof his grace is now seised, or at any time hereafter shall be seised of one estate of inheritance, as shall be at any tyme hereafter by his graces commissioners or foure of them heretofore named, or hereafter to be named, certified vnder their handes and seales, into his highnesse courte of the augmentacions of the reuenues of his graces crowne, to be mete and conuenient to be conuerted used or occupied into tillage, pasture, meadowe, or other seuerall ground, shall from henceforth immediately bee and remaine perpetuallie copyhold land, and shall be demed and adiudged of the nature, qualitie and condicion of copy hold lande to all intentes constructions and purposes. And that euery tenaunt, inhabitaunt, tessaunt and other, their heires successours and assignes, and the heires successours and assignes of euery of them, shall haue and enioye suche right, tytle, interest, possessione, remaindre and reuerzion of and in the porcion and parte of the saide wast and heathe, to them or any of them by the saide commissioners assigned or to be assigned, as shall be by the sayde commissioners, or foure of them at the leaste by coppe to them or any of them to be had and made, declared or expessed, and the same shall be certified into the sayde courte of augmentacions, vnder their handes and seales.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritie afore sayde, that all and euery tenaunte inhabitaunte and tessaunte, and other aboue remembred, shall immediatly after certyficat made (as is afore sayde) bee deemed adiudged and taken to be tenaunte by coppe of court rolle, of the parte & porcion to them or anye of them (as is afore sayde) allotted and graunted by copie of court rolle, to suche manour or lordeshippe being within the sayd parishes and hamlettes, or anye of them, as the sayde commissioners or foure of them at the least vppon the said certificate, shall vnder their handes and seales assigne and appoint them, or any of them vnto, and accordinge to the tenour of the copie of court rolle, to him or them made of the same. And that after assignement and certificate made (as is afore sayde) the same partes and porcions, shall be taken had and reputed to all intentes perpetuallie, as only membyres and parcelles of the manours or lordeshippe, wherunto they are so appointed and assigned. And that the steward for the time beinge of anye suche manours or lordeshippes, wherunto anye parte or porcion of the sayde heath or waste shall bee, by the saide commissioners or foure of them, assigned vnto, shall after certificate thereof (as is afore sayde) haue full power and auctoritie from time to time as the

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the case shall iustly require, to let and graunte the same by copie of courte rolle, to any person or persons, to holde the same partes and porcions, according to the estate and interestes prescribed in their copies, at the will of the lord, according to the custome of the manour or lordship, whereunto the saide partes and porcions are (as is abovesaide) assigned or appointed to appertene. And also, that all rullmes, vsages, condicions and ordinaunces, whiche the saide commissioners, or foure of them at the leaste, shall at any time hereafter prescribe order decre or make concerning any parte or parcell of the saide waste or heathe, shalbe as good firme and stable in the lawe, being certified vnder the handes and seales of the saide commissioners, or foure of them at the least, into the saide courte (as is aforesaide) to all purposes end effectes, as if they and every of them were particularly recited and enacted by auctorite of this parliament.

¶ Provided alwaies, that if any such person or persons, to whome any parte of the saide waste and heath shall be allotted, do either refuse to take by copie of courte rolle the parte and porcions to him allotted, assigned or letten, or to be allotted assigned or letten, as is aforesaide, or els refuse to conuerter his saide parte or porcion into tilage or pasture, and in such sort to improve the same, within such time as to him or them shall bee prescribed or assigned by the saide commissioners, or foure of them at the leaste: that than such person and persones, as he or shall be tenant for terme of life, for terme of yeres or at will, of such messuage or lande, in respect whereof the saide parte and porcion is or shall bee allotted or assigned, shall and may take haue and receiue of the saide lordes, the saide parte and porcion of the saide waste, to holde at the will of the lord after the custome of the said manour or lordship, for terme of twentie one yeres, the remainder thereof, after the end and determination of the saide lease of xxi. yeres, to the owner of the said messuage or lande: to holde to him his heires and assigns at the will of the lord, after the custome of the layde manour.

¶ And be it further enacted by the saide authorite, that if the saide lessee refuse that to take (as is aboue saide) that than any other the kynges subiectes borne vnder his graces obedience, shall and may take haue and receiue the same parte and porcion of the saide waste (as is aboue saide) for terme of xxi. yeres, with like remainder to the saide owner, as is abovesaide.

¶ Provided also, that all and every such lessee for terme of xxi. yeres (as is aboue saide) shall and may improve the saide parte and porcion of the saide waste and heathe to him letten by copys of courte rolle, during the saide xxi. yeres, without any interruption of any owner of any such messuage or land, any surrendre discharge determination or forfeiture of his or their interest estates or termes of and in any such messuage or lande notwithstanding.

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An acte for the amending of the high way besides Chester
called Huntington lane. Cap. iii.



Here as the kinges maiesties high way adioyning to the cite of
Chester, called Huntington lane, by the space of two miles and
a halfe in length, or there aboutes, was of late deepe, daunge-
rous, and loze for any of the kinges subiectes to trauayle other
on foote or on horsebacke, with wayne or other cariage, and specially in
the winter season: which way is now well amended and repayed, so that
the kinges subiectes may easily passe and repasse thorough the saide highe
way, towarde and from the saide cite of Chester. And for as much as the
saide high way can not alway so continue in sufficient amendement, with-
out the same be continually looked vnto and repayed: For the continuall
maintenaunce wherof, it may please the kinges highnes, that it maye bee
enacted by his highnes, by the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall,
and the commons of this present parliament assembled and by the auctho-
ritie of the same, that from henceforth it shall bee lawfull for syr wylliam
Stanley and syr Hugh Calueley knightes, and the heires males of their
tween bodie lawfully begotten, beyng of full age, and for lacke of suche
heires males, or in defaulte of them or any of them, or such heires males
beyng of full age, that it shall be lawfull for the Shyre and the Alder-
men of the sayde cite of Chester, and their successours for ever, to name
and appoint any person or persons to susteine, amende and repaire the saide
high way from time to time, when and as often as neede shall require, yf
the same person or persons will therunto agree. And the saide person or
persons so named and appointed by the saide sir wylliam Stanley and syr
Hugh Calueley, or their heires males in fourme abovesayde, or for defaulte
of such issue by the saide Shyre and Aldermen: or their successours of the
saide cite of Chester, to haue free libertie during their time, to build one
houle or cottage within the saide high waye in some conuenient place, and
in the same the said person to inhabite and dwell: and such person or persons
so attending the reparacions of the saide highe way, shall haue also grasse
pasture or feeding for five kine or five other head cattell in and vpon the
sayde high waye, and vpon the sides of the same as farre as the saide highe
way dothe extend, that is to wit, from a place called the Bothill, to a place
called Butterbach bidge, conteyning by estimation the space of the saide
two miles and a halfe.

And further be it enacted, that if it fortune any such person or persones
as shall hereafter from time to time be named and appoynted in manner
and fourme abovesayde, for and concernynge the sustentacion and a-
mendement of the saide highe way, to be remisse or negligent in amendynge
any part therof when neede shall require, that then and from thens forth
it shall be lawfull vnto the sayde syr wylliam Stanley and syr hughe Cal-
ueley and their heires males in fourme abovesayde, and in default of them

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or their heires males, in fourme aforesaide, that it maye in like manner bee lawefull unto the said maire and aldermen aforesaid and their successours, to discharge and put frome the saide house pasture and feeding every suche person or persons, as shal be negligent or remisse, and to assigne and put in his place one other person sufficiently to serve for the amendement of the said way, according to the true intent and meaning of this estatute.

Item that all colleges, chauntries, freechappels, ac. shall be in the kinges maiesties disposition. Cap. viii.



A their most humble writtethen unto your royal maiestie your loving subiectes, the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons of this present parliament assembled, that tohere there have bene divers colleges, freechappels, chauntries, hospitals, fraternities, brotherhoodes, guildes, a stipendarie prestes, having perpetuall for ever within this your realme of England, Wales, and the marches of the same, of which, some of them by the licence of your gracious highnes, or of your noble progenitors, and some of them by feoffmentes and wyles thereupon declared, and some of them by other deuises, conueyance and assurance, haue bene incorporated, established, founded, erected, had, or made by diuers names, surnames, degrees and corporations, to haue had a perpetuall continuance for ever: sithen whiche time diuers and many of the donors, founders, or patrons, or suche as pretende to be donors, founders or patrons of the same colleges, freechappels, chauntries, hospitals, fraternities, brotherhoodes, guildes, and stipendary prestes, and diuers other of their honourous and conetous mindes, and of their owne auctorite without your gracious licence, haue of late entred into the mansion houses, manours, landes, tenementes and other hereditamentes, to the same colleges, freechappels, chauntries, hospitals, fraternities, brotherhoodes, guildes, and stipendary prestes belonging and apperteyning, and haue expelled the prestes, wardens, masters, ministers, rulers, gouernours, and incumbentes of the same, out and from the possession therof, and there their heires and assignes do occupie and enioye the saide mansion houses, manours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, and doe receive, take, employ and conuert the rentes, issues, revenues and profits of the same to their owne propre uses. And some of the saide prestes, wardens, masters, ministers, rulers, gouernours and incumbentes of the premises, by wronge taken between them and the patrons, donors or founders of the same, or of suche as pretende to be patrons, donors, or founders of the same, or other haue and of their owne auctorite without your graces licence, bargained and sold all or parte of their manours, landes and tenementes annexed, united, pertainyng or belonging to their saide colleges, freechappels, chauntries, hospitals, and other the sayde promotions, and some

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of the saide priesstes, wardens, maisters, ministers, rulers, gouernours and incumbentes by the assente and consent of their patrons, donours, founders of such other as haue had interest in the same: and some of the saide priesstes, rulers, gouernours and incumbentes, of their owne auctoritie, without thassent of their patrons, donours, or founders, or of suche other as haue had interest in the same, haue nowe of late made leases for terme of life, or liues, or for terme of yeares of their saide freechappelles, chauntries, hospitals, fraternities, brotherhoodes, guildes or othere the saide promotions, or of the manours, landes, tenementes, and othere the premisses, or of parte therof, and haue not reserued the customeable rente and ferme, that the same hath bene bled to be letten for. And some of them by counsaile haue suffered recoueries, leuied fines, and made scotmentes and other conueiances of all or part of their saide possessions, by reason wherof diuers of the said freechappelles, chauntries, hospitals, and other promotions aboue saide, bene clerely dissolved, extincted or determined contrary to the willes, mindes, intentes and purposes of the founders, donours, or patrons of the same, and to the greate contempt of your maiestie, and of your auctoritie royall. And we your graces moste louynge humble and obedient subiectes right well knowynge and perceyvinge the exceedynge great and inestimable charges, coses, and expences, whiche your maiestie hath had and susteyned, and dayly doeth susteine, as well for the maintenance of these present warres against the realme of France and Scotlande, and for the preservation and defence of vs your saide subiectes, against the invasions and malice of your enemyes the frenchemen and scottes (who dayly do studie, devise, and attempte to greue, annoy and hurt your saide louynge subiectes) as also for the maintenance of your moste royall estate, honoure, dignitie and estimation, whiche all your sayde louynge subiectes of naturall durie bene bounde to conserue and increase by al such wayes and means as they can deuise: do therfore with our whole hore petition and intercession moste humbly beseeche your maiestie, that it may be enacted ordeined and established by your highnesse, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this presente parliament assembled by the auctorite of the same, in maner and fourme followinge that is to say.

Be it enacted by the kynge our soueraigne lord, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and of the commons in this presente parliament assembled, and by the auctorite of the same, that all and singular the saide colleges, freechappelles, chauntries, hospitals, fraternities, brotherhoodes, guildes, and othere the sayd promotions had or made to haue continuance in perpetualltye ever, and beyng, or that hath or ought to be contributory or chargeable to the payement of the first frutes and tenthes, according to the lawes and statutes in that behalf had and made, by what name soeuer degree or corporation they or any of them were founded, ordeined, established, erected, named, called or knownen, and

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al and singuler the mancion houses, manours, orchardes, gardens, lades, tenementes, pastures, woodes, waters, rentes, reuercions, seruices, commons, tithes, pencions, po:cions, churches, chappels, aduoufous, nominations, patronages, annuities, ryghtes, interestes, entrees, condicions, leetes, courtes, liberties, priuileges, fraunchises, and other hereditamentes, what so euer they be, apperteyning or belonging, or that did apperteyne or belong, or were assigned or appointed to anye suche college, freechappell, chauntrie, hospitall, fraternitie, brotherhed, guilde, stipendarie priest or other the sayd promotions or to any of them, or accepted knowone or taken as parte parcell or membre of them, or of any of them, and to the saide colleges, chauntries, freechappels, hospitalls, fraternities, brotherhead, guilde, stipendarie prestes, or other promotions, or to anye of them united or annexed, whiche betwene the fourthe daye of february, in the .xxvii. yere of the raigne of our saide soueraigne lord the kinge, and the .xxv. day of Decembre, in the .xxvii. yere of the saide kinges reigne, by reason of anye suche entree, expulcion, bargaine, sale, feoffement, fine, recovery, lease, or other conueiaunce therof had or made, ben dissolved, determined, relinquished or extincted by any of the waies, meanes or conueiaunces aforesaide, or otherwise other than such of the as now be or were in the possession of our saide soueraigne lord the kinge, or that ben graunted, or assured by his highnes licence agreement consent or letters patentes to any other person or persons, or haue ben lawfully obteyned or recovered by anye person by anye former right or title, without fraude or couin, or by the kinges licence shall from henceforth (by auctoritie of this acte) bee adiudged and deemed, and also bee in the verie actual and reall possession and seison of the kyng our soueraigne lord, and of his heires and successours for euer, in as large and ample maner as the saide prestes, wardens, maisters, ministers, gouernours, rulers or other incumbents or any of them, or the patrons, donours or founders of them or of any of them at any time sithens the sayd thyrde day of february in the .xxvii. yere aforesaide, had occupied or enioyed or now haue occupieth or enioyeth the same, and as though all and singuler the saide colleges, chauntries, hospitalls, freechappels, fraternities, brotherheades; guildes, and other the sayd promotions, and the sayd manours, landes, tenementes hereditamentes, and other the premises what so euer they be, and euery of them, were in this present acte specially particularly and certainly rehearsed, named, and expresse by expresse wordes, names, surnames, incorporacions, title and faculties, and in their natures, kindes and qualities, the said entrees, expulcions, bargaines, sales, synes feoffementes, recoveries, or other assurance and conueiaunce, what so euer they be had or made (except before excepted) to the contrarie not withstandinge.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that al conuantes, bondes and grauntes of any rent or annuities, made by any person or persons to any chauntrie priest or other, hauinge any of the sayd promotions

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mociōs, for or in consideration of anye bargain graunte or other assurance, made of anye of the saide promotions, or anye parte of them, shall be void and frustrate.

¶ And ouer that it is ordeined and enacted, by thautortie aforesaide that all and euery person and persons, beinge in lyfe, whiche haue or hathe for any summe of money to him or them payde, bargained or solde any manors landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, that did belonge or apperteyne to any of the saide colleges, chauntries, frechappels, hospitalles, fraternities, guildes or other promotions aforesaide dissolved, relinquished or determined after the saide. iiii. day of february, as is aboue saide, shall repay to suche person as so bought any of the saide manours, landes, tenementes or other hereditamentes, or to his executours or assignes vpon a request therfore made, as muche money as he or they receiued for the sale of the thing so by him or them solde, and for non paiement therof such person and persons as purchased or bought the saide landes, tenementes, and other the premises, or any parcell therof, shall be enabled by the autortie aforesaid, to sue and mainteine an action of dette at the common lawes of this realme, against such person or persons as so bargained or solde to him or them, or to their testatour, any of the premises belonginge to any colledge, chauntie, frechappell, hospitall, fraternitee, guilde or other promotion aforesaide, in whiche action of dette non essoine protection or waiger of lawe shalbe admitted or allowed.

¶ And be it further enacted by the autortie aboue saide, that all and euery giffes, grauntes, surrenders, and all and euery other assurances, had made or done to the kinges highnes of any of the saide colleges, chauntries and other the saide promotions, or of any manours, landes, tenementes or other hereditamentes to any of them annexed vnted or belonging at any tyme betwene the saide fourth day of february, in the sayde. xxvii. yere of our saide soueraigne lord the kinges reigne, and the sayde. xxi. daye of Decembre, in the. xxi. yere of his moste gracious reigne, shall bee by the saide autortie taken iudged and deemed good and perfect, to all intentes, constructions and purposes, as well against the saide chauntie priestes maisters, wardens, ministers, gouernours, rulers and other hauing anye other the saide promotions their successours and assignes and the successours and assignes of euery of them, as againste all and euery founder, donor and patron therof and euery of them, and the heires and successours of them, and euery of them.

¶ And be it further enacted by thautortie aforesaide, that all and euery letters patentes made by the kynges highnesse to anye personne or persons of any of the saide colleges, chauntries, guildes, fraternitees or other the saide promotions, or of any part or parcell of the saide colleges, chauntries, hospitalles, guildes, fraternities, brotherheades or other the saide promotions: And that all fines feoffementes, reconeries and al other assurances and

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res & conuenciences therof had or made by the kings assent, consent, licence or agreement, to any person or persons, by anye chauntreie prieste, maister, wardeine, minister, ruler, gouernour or ether hauinge any the said promotions, of anye of the saide colleges, chauntreies, hospitalles, gyardes, fraternities, brotherhoodes or anye of the saide promotions, or of any manours landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, belonginge, annexed, or vnted, to anye of them, or of anye parte parcell or membre of the same, shal stand & be in their forces and effectes, accordinge to their tenures formes and effectes, and shal be, by the auctorite of this acte, good, perfecte, and auaylable as well againste the saide chauntreie priestes, wardeynes, maysters rulers gouernours and other hauinge anye of the saide promotions, and their successours, and the successours of euerye of them, as againste the foundours, donours, and patrons, of the same, and the ordinaries of them and euerye of them, and the heires and successours of euerye of them, any lawe, statute, ordinaunce, or other thinge to the contrarie therof, nor with standinge.

¶ And where also at this present time there beene a greatte noumbe of chauntreies, hospitalles, colleges, frechappelles, fraternities, brotherheades, gyardes, and stipendarie priestes, hauinge perpetuall for ever, and beinge charged, or chargeable, to the payment of the firste frutes, and tenthes, accordinge to the statute, in that behalf, had and prouided, and all colleges, as well chargeable, as not chargeable, to the payment of the firste frutes, and tenthes, and sette tynges and beinge within this realme of Englande wales, and other the kings dominions, or the marches of the same, hauinge diuers manours, landes, tenementes, possessions, and other hereditamentes, to the same, assigned, appointed, limited, vnted, or annexed, by the pastones, donours, or foundours of them, which haue bene established, or depned, founded, had or made by the saide patrons, donours, or foundours for ever, to the intent that almesse to the poore people, and other good vertuous, and charitable deedes, mought be made, done and executed, by the wardeins, maisters, ministers, gouernours, brothers, and incumbentes of the same: And for so muche as it is right well knowe, that the saide gouernours, wardeins, maisters, ministers, brothers, and incumbentes, or the greatestte numbe of them hitherto, haue not, ne yet do vse exercise order and rule their said chauntreies, hospitalles, colleges, frechappelles, and other the saide promotions, nor the manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, to the same belonging, nor yet do bestowe, expend, and employ the issues, rentes, reuenues, and profites of the same in almesse, and other deedes of charitie, according to such vertuouse and godly intentes and purposes, as the saide chauntreies, frechappelles, colleges, hospitalles, and other the saide promotions were first founded, established, erected, or depned had made or incorporated, to the great displeasure of almighty god, & to the discontentation of the kinge our soueraigne lord. And for that that the kinges highnes, of his moste godlye and blessed disposicion enten-

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derth to haue the premisses bled and exercised to more godlye & vertuous purposes, and to reduce and bringe them into a more decente and comely order for the commoditie and wealth of this his realme, and for the better of his subiectes of the same.

Be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that the kynges maiestie shall and maye at his highnes will and pleasure from tyme to tyme hereafter duringe hys naturall life (which almightie god longe preserve) make and directe his graces commission or commissions under his grates seale euerye suche commission to be had and made bypon a warrante signed with hys graces hande, to suche number of persons, and into suche countries shires and places, as hys highnes shall bee thought expedient and requisite, geuing vnto the sayde commissioners, or to two of them at the leaste, full power and auctoritie, by vertue of the same commission or commissions, for and in his highnesse name, to entre into all and singulax suche and to manye chauntries freeschappelles hospitalles colleges and other the sayde promotions, and into all and singuler suche manours mansion houses meles landes tenementes pastures woodes waters rentes reuercions seruices possessions and other hereditamentes whatsoeuer they be, or into anye parte or parcell therof, for and in the name of seison & possession of all the hereditamentes, annered vntied belongingge or apperteyning to any chauntre hospital freeschapel college fraternitie brotherheddes guildes or any other the sayde promotions; or wherof anye priestes prouostes gouernours, rulers or other incumbentes of them or anye of them, by what name surname degree title or corporation they and euery of them or anye of them ben founded erected ordeined established named called or knowen, now hath or enioyeth; or hereafter shall haue and enioy; to the sayde chauntries hospitalles freeschappelles colleges fraternities brotherheddes guildes or other the sayde promotions beynge chargeable to the payementes of the first fructes and tenthes, and all colleges chargeable or not chargeable to the payement of the first fructes & tenthes, as is aforesayde, or to anye of them, as shall be named expessed and appoynted in the sayde commission or commissions, & to seile and take the same chauntres hospitalles colleges freeschappelles fraternities brotherheddes guildes and other the sayde promotions manours landes tenementes and other the premisses mencioned in the sayde commission and commissions in euerye of them, and in euerye part parcell and membre of the same into the kynges possession and handes: To haue and to holde the same to the kynges highnes and to his heires and succellours for ever. And that the sayde commissioners, or two of them at the leaste, maye enter into any parte or parcell of the sayde chauntries hospitalles freeschappelles colleges and other the sayde promotions, manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes mencioned in anye suche commissione, for and in the name of all the chauntres colleges freeschappelles and other the sayde promotions manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes whatsoeuer they be, annered vntied belon-

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belonging or appertaininge to any of the sayde chauntries colleges chappelles or other the saide promotions, and expresse mentioned and named in anye suche commission: which entree so had and made into part or parcell for and in the name of all the premisses mentioned in anye suche commission, shall (by the auctoritie of this acte) be of as good force value and effecte in the lawe, to all intentes respectes constructions and purposes, as if the saide commissioners, or twoo of them at the leaste, had entred into al and every parte and parcell of the same chauntries hospitals freechappelles colleges and other the said promotions, manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes mentioned in anye suche commission, although the sayde chauntries and other the said promotions, manours landes tenementes & hereditamentes expresse within anye suche commission, shall happen to be in sundrye and severall towtens places shires or counties within this realme Wales and other the kynges dominions. And that upon and by anye suche entree had and made by the sayde commissioners, or by any twoo of them at the leaste into all, or into anye parte or parcell, in the name of all the manours landes tenementes, possessions and hereditamentes, to the said promotions or anye of them united, annexed, perteyninge, or in anye wise belonginge, and mentioned in the said commission, all and singular the said chauntries hospitalles, freechappelles colleges and other the said promotions, manors houles manors orchardes gardenes landes tenementes meadowes pastures woodes waters rentes reueracions seruices tithes pence portions parsonages appropriate, churches chappelles adhouisons nominacions patronages annuities rightes interestes entrees conditiones commons leetes courtes libertes priuileges franchises and other hereditamentes what so ever they be to the said promotions, mentioned in the said commission, or to anye of them belonginge or apperteyninge united or annexed, so entered into, leased or taken, shall forthwith and immediately, after suche entree had and made (as is abovesaid) by auctoritie of this acte, be bested adiudged and deemed, and also be in the veray actuall and reall possession and seison of our sayde soueraigne lord the king, and of his heires and successours for ever, as though all and singular the said chauntries hospitals colleges freechappelles and other the said promotions, and the said manours landes tenementes hereditamentes, and other the premisses what so ever they be, and every of them were adiudged and demed by expresse wordes sentences and termes in this acte to be thereafter in the actuall and reall possessions and seison of our said soueraygne lord the king, and were in this present acte, specially particularly and certainly reherced named and expresse by expresse wordes, names surnames corporations titles and faculties, and in their natures kindes and qualities, without any inquisition by the othes of .xii. men office or other entree or further circumstance therof to be had or made. And that the said commissioners, or twoo of them at the leaste, after suche entree and seisure so by them had and made by vertue of the said commission or commissions

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missions so to them directed, shall certifie and retourne the saide commission and commissions, and euerye of them (making mencion in writing of their doinges in the same, according to the wordes and auctoritie to them geuen by the saide commission) into the kinges courte of the chauncerie, at such daye as shall be limited in the saide commission or commissions, there to remaine of recorde for ever.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that as well all and euerye the sayde chauntries hospitalles colleges freechappelles and other the sayde promotions, and all the mansion houses manours, landes, tenementes possessions and hereditamentes, & other the premises, what so ever they bee, and euerye parte and parcell of theim, whiche (by auctorite and vertue of this acte) beene vested abindged demed, and also shall bee in the kinges possession and handes, as also all other the sayde chauntries hospitalles colleges freechappelles and other the saide promotions, and all the manours, mansion houses, landes, tenementes possessions, and hereditamentes what so ever they be, to them or any of them belonging or apperteyning, and euery parte and parcell therof, whiche hereafter shall happen to come to his highnes handes and possession by anye such entree seisor or taking into his graces handes by commission or commissions, as is abovesaide, from and after the saide entree seisor and takinge into his maiesties handes, shall be in the order rule suruey and gouernance of our soueraigne lord the byrges courte of Augmentacions of the reuenues of his crowne, and to bee graunted letten and lette to ferme by the Chauncellour officers and ministers of the same courte, in such maner & fourme as other manours landes and tenementes appoynted to the said court of the augmentacions of the reuenues of his graces crowne, beene to be graunted or letten: and that al the farmes issues reuenues and profitess, cominge and growinge of the premises, or of any parte therof, shall be taken and receyued to the kinges vse, by the officers and ministers of the same courte, in such maner & fourme, as is vled and had of other manours landes and tenementes, and of the issues reuenues and profitess of the same, committed to the order rule suruey and gouernance of the said court of chaugmentacions: any acte statute ordinance custome or vse here to fore had made or vled to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted by chaustozitie aforesaid, that al matters variantes demaundes suites contencions and debates to be had or made of or for any matter or thinge, wherby the manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes so appoynted to the saide courte of the Augmentacions, shall bee charged asked demaunded or chalenged, to the hurte detrymente or prejudice of the kinge, shall bee hearde, examined, tryed, ended, and determined by and in the sayde courte of Augmentacions, in such fourme maner and condicion as other matters and causes, appoynted to the saide courte, be sewed hearde examined and determined, or by such other waies and meanes, as to the saide courte shall seme conuenient and mete for the admuni-

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administration of iustice indifferently betwene the kinges highnesse and his subiectes.

¶ And be it further ordeyned and enacted by the saide statute, that all other matters variounes contentionis suites claimed and demandes to bee had made or done betwene any of the kinges subiectes of for or concerning the sayde manours landes tenementes and the other premises of any parte therof, or for any trespass or other offence touching the same,

shall be lawfully asked demanded tried and determined at and by the common lawes of this realme, and accordynge to the rules orders and iudgements of the common lawes and statutes of this realme, and not in the sayde courts of the augmentacions of the revenues of the kinges crowne: and any lawe statute ordynance or other thing had made or done to the contrary not withstanding, and as though the sayde court of the augmentacions of the revenues of the kinges crowne had never bene had ne made.

¶ And be it further enacted by thauenturie aforesayde, that all recoveries fines feoffmentes and other conveyances to be hereafter had made done or suffered for or of any estate of inheritance or freeholde, without the kynges maiesties assent consente or agreement, by any of the sayde chauncery priestes wardens maiesties ministers gouernours rulers or other, hauinge any of the sayde promotions of the sayde chauntries colleges guildes fraternities hospitalles and other the sayde promotions, or of any manours landes tenementes or other hereditamentes, to the sayde chauntries colleges and other promotions buylded achered belonging or apperteyning, or to any parte or parcell of them, and being not had made doone or suffered to the kynges highnesse, shall bee utterly voide frustrate and of none effecte, as well agaynst the kinges maiesty as agaynst the successours and successours of such kyche chauncerie prieste gouernours rulers and other hauing any of the sayde promotions and enery of them.

¶ Shewing to all and euery person and persons, bodies pollicke and corporate, their heires and successours, and the heires and successours of euery of them, other then the maiesties wardens ministers gouernours rulers priestes and incumbentes of the sayd chauntries hospitalles colleges freechappelles fraternities brotherhoodes guildes and other hauing anye of the sayde promotions, or anye of them, and the successours of them and of euery of them: and other then such as be and pretende to bee founders patrons or donours of the premises, or of anye of them, or of anye parte or parcell thereof, their heires and successours and the heires and successours of euery of them: And other than such person and persons and their heires successours and assignes as claime or pretend to haue any estate right title, interest or possession or condition of or to the premises, or anye parte or parcell thereof, by reason of any feoffment or fine bargayne and sale, or by anye other hquy meanes or conuetynce to them made of any estate of freehold or inheritance without the kinges assent consente or agreement, by any of the sayde maiesties wardens ministers gouernours rulers

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pleshes and incumbentes; or by the founders donors or patrons of them
 or of any of them, all suche right title claime possession interest rentes an-
 nuities commodities common offices fees leases liberties privileges per-
 sons portions benefices profits duties and other profits, whiche
 ther of any of them have claime ought maie or might have had in or of
 to any of the premises, or of in or to any parte or parcel thereof, in suche
 lyke maner and condicion as all intentes respects constructions and pur-
 poses, as if this acte had never ben made, and as though the said
 chauntries, hospitalles, colleges, and other the sayde promotions had still
 continued and remained in the same state and condicion as they were
 And it is further enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that if any of
 the said maisters wardens ministers rulers governours priors incum-
 bentes or owners of any suche chaunterie hospital frerhappell college fra-
 ternitie brotherhed guild or other the promotions aforesayde or of any of
 them, within one yere next before the xxii. dayes of November, in the
 xxiij. yere of our saide soueraigne lord the kynges rygne, have made
 or hereafter shall make any lease or graunt under the name of their comon seale
 or other seale, or other title for terme of yeres life or lives of their sayde
 chauntries, hospitalles, colleges, frerhappelles, fraternities, brotherheddes
 guildes and other the said promotions or of any parte thereof, or of any
 manours landes tenementes possessions or hereditamentes, what so ever
 they be, to them or to any of them united or annexed belonging, or apper-
 taining, or to them or any of them limited or appointed, whiche manours
 meies landes tenementes possessions or other hereditamentes, what so ev-
 er they be, were not before the said lease for the more parte of .xx. yeres
 laste passed, sette upon lette to ferme, that they had referred in manurance
 tillage or occupation, or now be in the manurance tillage or occupation
 of the said maisters wardens ministers rulers governours priors or in-
 incumbentes of the premises, for the maintenance of hospitaltie and good
 house keeping, within one yere next before the said xxii. dayes of No-
 vembre hath made, or hereafter shall make any lease or graunt for terme
 of lives, or for terme of yeres, of any of the said manours meies landes
 tenementes possessions hereditamentes and other the premises, what so
 ever they be, wherof and in the whiche any estate or interest for terme of
 lyfe yere or yeres, at the tyme of makinge any suche graunte or lease, shall
 have or shall have had beinge or continuance, and then was or shall not
 be determined limited or appointed, within one yere next before the said
 xxii. dayes of November, hath made or hereafter do make any lease or
 graunte for terme of lyfe or for terme of yeres of any of the said manours
 meies landes tenementes possessions or other hereditamentes what so ever
 they be, upon whiche leases and grauntes the usual and olde rentes and
 termes accustomed to be paid and referred by the space of .xx. yeres next
 before the said xxii. dayes of November, be not or shall not be then paid
 referred and riden, or any of the said priors maisters wardens min-
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misters or other the sayde governours or rulers of the sayde. xiiij. daye
 of November, hath made anye bargaine or sale of his or their woods, which
 should be yet growing and standing; that than all and everye suche lease or
 graunte of any of the premises, and everye such bargaine and sale of wood,
 the wood should be utterly void and of none effecte. *in quibusdam locis*
 Provided also and be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaide,
 that this acte or any thing therein conteyned, shall not extend to any ma-
 nours, landes, tenementes, possessions or hereditamentes, which the sayde
 maysters, wardens, ministers, chauncie priestes, incumbentes, or other the
 sayde governours or rulers of the premises or of any of them, hath or is
 or hereafter shall have or be possessed or sent of in fee simple, fee taile ge-
 nerall or speciall, for terme of life, terme of years, or other wise, to his or
 their owne propre uses by inheritance or purchas, and not beinge united
 or annexed to his or their lordshippes, baronies, free chappels or other
 the sayde promotions, nor to any manours, landes, tenementes, possessions
 rentes, annuities, or yearly pension or pensions, of anye yearly summe or
 summes of money, heretofore given or granted, or hereafter to be given
 or granted by the kyng or his soderaigne lord, to any of the sayde maysters
 wardens, ministers, chauncie priestes, incumbentes, governours, rulers
 of the premises, or of any of them, for terme of life only: Under the greate
 seale of England, or under the seale of the augmentation of the revenues
 of the kyngs prerogative: but that all and everye the sayde maysters, wardens,
 ministers, chauncie priestes, incumbentes, and other the governours and
 rulers aforesaide, and everye of them, shal and lawfully have, hold, possesse, en-
 joye, and kepe, to their owne propre uses, all and singularle such manours,
 landes, tenementes, possessions, and hereditamentes, rentes, annuities, and
 yearly pensions, not beinge annexed or united to his or their sayde promo-
 tions, according to such interest estate title and inheritance, as they or a-
 ny of them hath or shall have of and in the same; any thinge conteyned in
 this acte to the contrarye notwithstanding, and as though the same had
 never be had or made. *in quibusdam locis*
 Provided also and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaide that everye
 of the sayde maysters, wardens, ministers, chauncie priestes, incumben-
 tentes, or other the sayde governours and rulers, from whom the kyngs
 highnes, by vertue of this acte, shall have, take, or take anye of his or their
 manours, landes, tenementes, possessions, or other hereditamentes by any
 of the waies or meanes aforesaide, with anye compaignie of attorneyes, or
 compence for the same, that they and everye of them, from thenceforth shall
 paye by default, shate and allowed due and right heretofore or hereafter
 to be payed, and also of their first tenures, as they shall happen hereafter to
 be due to the kyng in his court of chancery, and sheweth, to everye man-
 ner, and after suche rate and porcion, as the same manours, landes, tenementes,
 and other hereditamentes, which they and other of the sayde, shall
 come to the kyngs handes and possession by any of the waies or meanes
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aforsaide, were assessed, valued, rated and taxed, at, in and by the taxation of the tenthes and fyfte tenthes now remaininge of recorde in the sayde counte of ffeff shires and tenthes by force of the statute therof made had and provided.

¶ Provided alwaye and be it ordeyned by the authoritie aforsaide, that all and every person and persons, that before the makinge of this acte had or enjoyed any maner of annuities or rente, to be paid or had of any of the sayde chauntries, hospitalles, colleges, or other promotions aforsaide, shall have and enjoye the same in like maner and forme as they shoulde or ought to have done, if the sayde chauntries, hospitalles, colleges, and other the sayde promotions hadde still remained and continued in esse and full beinge: any thinge in this acte mentioned to the contrarye in anye wise notwithstandinge.

¶ Provided also and be it further enacted, by the authoritie aforsaide, that if anye person or persons have unjustly and truly, without fraude and couyn, payed or geven anye summes of money to anye suche master, warden, minister, gouernour, ruler, or to anye other hauing anye of the sayde promotions for the bargaine and sale of anye woodes, growyng in and vpon anye of the premises and not yettelled (as is aforsaide) whiche bargaine and sale by this acte is made voyde and of none effect, that the same be, their executors or assignes, vpon request by him or them made to the chawncellour of the court of Augmentacions; for the tyme beinge, shalbe well and truly contented and repaid of and with the kinges treasure, remainyng in the handes of the tresourer of the sayde court of augmentacions, for the tyme beinge, by the handes of sayde Chawncellour. Tresourer or other officers of the same court of Augmentacions, within one yere after anye such request, and after the dissolution of the sayd chauntries, colleges, hospitalles, and other the sayde promotions, or after the surreynce of anye parte of them: or els the sayde bargaynes and biers of the sayde woodes, shall haue and enjoye, without take and carpe atwaye the same woodes, so beinge by him or them bought: any thinge aboue mentioned to the contrarye in anye wise notwithstandinge.

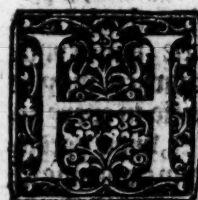
¶ Provided also, and be it enacted by authoritie aforsaide, that if anye suche gouernour, ruler, warden, master, minister, or other hauynge anye of the sayde spirituall promotions, haue or shall compounde for their fyfte tenthes for anye such spirituall promotions, according to the lawes and statutes of this realme: And the dayes of paymente of anye parte thereof at the interest and failure thereof, as is abovesaide, shall not than be expired or past, that all suches of money so to be payable at anye daye or dayes then to come shall cease and be not paid or asked or demaunded, anye bonds recognitaunces, suertes or other thinge had or made to the contrary notwithstandinge.

¶ Provided alwaye and be it enacted, that all sucherentes, fetters, illues, or other such like, shall be taken awaye and be not paid or asked or demaunded, anye bonds recognitaunces, suertes or other thinge had or made to the contrary notwithstandinge.

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profites and other summes of moneye, due and payable for any cause or matter concerning the premisses, or any of them, in the kynges court of his Eschequer, shall continue, and be continually and yerely leued charged and paid in the same court, in such maner and forme as heretofore have beene: any lawe custome, vntice of possession in the kynges highnes or other thing to the contrary notwithstanding, and as though the said promotions, manours, landes, tenementes and the other premisses had not comen to be kynges handes of possession.

An acte that the inhabitants of London, having goods to the value of CCC. markes, may passe in at-remitted. Cap. v.



Umblly beseechen your most excellent maiestie your obedient subiectes, the maiors and commonalties of your cite of London, that where as longes diuers and sundrie liberties and franchises, graunted by your moste noble progenitors to the cite of London, for diuers resonable respectes and considerations in their charters, expresse & mentioned, one libertie is, that all inquisitions to be taken by the Justices and ministers of your highnes, of the citizens of London, shall be taken at saint Martines the Church, or at the Wynde hall of the said cite of London, and not els where, excepte inquisitions before the Justices in Eyre at the towne of London, and for the deliuerie of the gaole of Newgate, as in the charters of your said noble progenitors, to the said citizens of London graunted, and by your maiestie confirmed, plainly appereth. Whiche liberties the same citizens haue continually, since the said grauntes therof to them made, exercised, used and enioyed accordingly, as by diuers matters of recorde in your high courtes at Westmynster evidently appereth. And where also an acte of parliament concerning perurie and punishment of vntreue verdictes, was made and established in the .xxii. yere of your most gracious reigne amonges other than and there made and ordeyned that vpon euery vntreue verdict, made after the same acte betwene partie & partie, in any suite, plainte or Demaunde made, and verdict therupon given, extending to the value of fourtie poundes, and not concerning the jeopardy of mans life, the partie greued by the same verdict, shall haue a writte of attainte against every person, which after the said acte woulde geue an vntreue verdict: And that in the said attainte there should be a ward against the petite Jury, the partie & the graund Jury proceste of Sum. Resum. & distresse infinite; which graunde Jury shoulde be in like nombre as the graunde Jury is now in attaint, and that euery of them that shall passe in the same, shall haue landes and tenementes of the value of twenty markes by yere of frehold out of auncient demeane. And also it was further enacted & established, that all attaintes after wardes to be take, shoulde be

be taken before your maiestie in your bench, or afore your Justices of your common place, and in none other court: And that the said prius shal be graunted by the discretion of the Justices upon the distresse.

¶ And for as muche as the saide acte cannot bee duly put in execution by the citizens of the saide cite for lacke of sufficient persons hauinge landes and tenementes to the cleere yerely value of. xx. markes out of aunciente demeane, according to the tenour of the saide acte, and also that the appurans of the saide citizens, to be had out of the said cite, is against the liberties and fraunchises of the same cite, and no prouiso made within the saide acte for the same citizens to enjoy their auncient liberties and priuileges before rehered. It may therefore please your maiestie, of your moste abundant grace, to condescende, that it may be enacted by your highenesse and by the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctoritie of the same, that al and every manner person and persons, beinge citizens of the saide cite, and beinge in value of goodes and cattalles to the summe of CCC. markes, may be impannelled and returned, by the sherriffe of your sayde cite in every attaine: hereafter to be brought by vertue of the saide estatute, upon verdictes hereafter to be geuen by your saide citizens, without any challenge for the insufficiencie of freholde of any of them, to be made by any of the sayde parties, in any suche attainte, upon suche verdictes hereafter to be geuen. And that the Justices for the time being, shall sit onely at the Eyre hall of the same cite, or at some conueniente place within the same cite, and there to shewe the graund Jurie, and to take the verdictes in such attaintes hereafter to be taken. And that the saide citizens hereafter be not compelled nor distreigned to appere in any suche attainte, hereafter to be taken upon any vnttrue verdict, geuen or hereafter to be geuen in London, but onely within the limittes of the sayde cite, of and for the triall of the same: The sayd former acte, or any thing therein conteyned to the contrary in any wise not withstanding.

¶ An acte against burnig of frames. Cap. vi.



Where diuers and sundrie malicious and enuious persones beinge men of euill and peruerse dispositions, and seduced by the instigation of the deuill, and minding the hurte vndoing and impouerishment of diuers of the kinges true and faithfull subiectes, as enemies to the common wealthe of this realme, and as no true or obediēt subiectes vnto the kinges maiestie, of these malicious and wicked mindes, haue of late inuented and practised a newe damnable kinde of vice displeasure and dampnifying of the kinges true subiectes and the comon welth of this realme, as in secrete burnig of frames of timber prepared and made by the owners thereof redie to be let by and edified for houles, cuttinge out of hedges

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des and dampnes of podes, motes, strewes, and leuetall waters, cutting of conduite heddes of conduit pipes, burninge of maines and cartes laden with coles of other goodes, burninge of heapes of woodde, curte, felled and prepared for making of coles, cutting out of beastes carcases, cutting of the eares of the kynges subiectes, barbing of appell trees, pearre trees, and other fruite trees, and divers other like kindes of miserable offences, to the great displeasure of almighty God, and of the kynges maiestie, and to the moste euill and pernicious example, that hath ben sene in this realme. For remedie whereto is enacted by auctorite of this present parliament that if any person or persons, at any tyme after the first day of maye next ensuinge maliciously, vnlawfully, wilfully, and secretly burne or cause to be burned, curte, or cause to be cutte or dismembred any frame or frames of limbe of any other person or persons, made and prepared, or hereafter to be made or prepared, for or to be used in the making of any house or houses so that the same shal not be able for the purpose, for the whiche it was prepared: that then euery such acte and doles so to be committed, perpetrated and done by any person or persons, shal be deemed and aduouched felonie: and the offendour or offendours therein, beyng latefully committed or attempted, shal haue and suffre paynes of death, and shall lose and forsaue goodes and cattails to be cutt, and the profittes of their landes, tenementes and hereditamentes for terme of his or their liues.

It is provided alwaies, that such attempter shall bee no attorneye of anye woman's dowrye, no destruction of blood agaynst the heyre or heyres of such offendour or offendours, but be it enacted, that the wife and wifes of such offendour or offendours shall haue their dowryes: and that such heyre and heyres shall after the detraite of the saide offendour haue a cutt to the saide landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes of such offendour and offendours, in like maner and forme, as they should haue had, if they acte, or any such attempter had neuer be had ne made. And that the heyre or heyres, hauing the saide landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes of anye estate of inheritance, shall yelde vnto the partie greeued for such offence or offences his damages of the profittes of the said landes, tenementes or hereditamentes of such offendour or offendours, where vnto he shall be inheritable by action of dette, to be taken at the common benche at Westmynster, in whiche action no wager of lawe esoyne ne protection shall bee allowed.

And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that yf anye person or persons, after the saide first daye of Maye, maliciouslye wilfullye and vnlawfully cut, or cause to be cutte out the heade or heades, dampne, or dampnes of any podes, poles, motes, strewes or other leuetall waters or the heade or heades, pipe or pipes of any conduite or conduites of any other person or persons: or maliciouslye wilfully and vnlawfully, after the saide first daye of Maye, burne or cause to be burned any wayne or waynes, carte or cartes laden or to be laden with coles, or any other goodes

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or marchandises of any other person or persons: or maliciously willingly and unlawfully after the said first day of may, do bourn or cause to be bourned any heape or heapes of wodde of any other person or persons, prepared, cutte and felled, or to be prepared cut or felled, for making of coales, billetes or salwoode: or maliciously, unlawfully, and willingly, after the said first day of May, cutte out or cause to be cut out the tunge or tungen of any tame beast or beasts of any other person or persons, the sayde beast than being in life: or maliciously, willingly or unlawfully after the sayde first day of May, cut or cause to be cut of the eare or eares of any of the kinges subiectes, otherwile than by auctoritie of the lawe, chaunce, medley, soborne affaite, or aventure, or after the said day maliciously, willingly, or unlawfully barke, any appell trees, pearce trees or other fruite trees of any other person or persons: that than everie suche offendour and offendours, shal not only lose and forsaite vnto the partie grieved treble damages for suche offence or offences, the same to be recovered by action of trespassse, to be taken at the common lawe, but also shal lose and forsaite to the kinges maiestie, and his heires, for every such offence, tenne poundes sterlynges in name of a fine.

An acte for abrogacion of hire toches session. Cap. lvi.



Where in the parliament begunne at westminster the xvi day of Januarye, in the .xxvij. yere of the kinges maiesties reigne, it was enacted amongst other thinges that al and singular the Iustices of peace, within any shire, cytye, borough or place within this realme of Englande, wailes or any other the kinges dominions, should verely at the generall sessions of the peace, to be holden next after the feast of Easter, assemble them selues together, that is to say, every numbrie of them within the limittes of their commissions, wherein they be named iustices of peace: & at and vpon such their assemble, should dilligently together aminges them selues peruse, examine, study & know the effectes and true intentes of the lawes statutes or dinances and prouisions hereafter specified: that is to say, the lawes & statutes heretofore made and provided, concerning or in any wise touching bacaboundes, retinours, geuing lueries, signes, tokens or badges, maintenance, imbracerie, bowstaues, and archerie, unlawfull games, foystallers and regratours, victaile victallers, and inholders, and everie of them, and of all statutes and lawes made in the same parliament, touching the same or anye of them: And after the perusinge and deliberate vnderstanding of the said lawes statutes and or dinances, they shoulde deuise aminges them selues, howe the same might be best put in due and iuste execution and for the better proceedinge therein, they shoulde deuise and seuer them selues, limitting and assigninge alwaies the nymbrie of two of them at the least, or more, into hundredes wapentakes, rapes, com-

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notes, or numbre of totones & villages by their discrecions. And that the said Justices so deuised, or two of the at the least, should in euery quarter of the yere, from & after the saide feast of Easter then next comming, hold and kepe, within the limittes of their diuisions, one sessions, besyde the general quarter sessions for the peace. The said one sessions to be kepte & holden alwayes within the limittes of their deuision, at & in one such day, as by them should be appointed: so that it be alwayes sixe weekes at the least before the quarter sessions. And that all proces and proceedinges in euery of the saide sessions so to be holden, should be continued fro sessions to sessions. And that the said Justices, or two of them at the least, at & in euerye suche sessions, should haue power and auctoritie to enquire as wel by the othes of xii. men, inhabitantes within the limittes of their diuision, as by any information geuen to them by any person or persons, of all defaultes offences and contemptes doone and committed, or that hereafter to bee done or committed against the fourme of euery of the statutes aforesayde and to here and determine the same. And should also haue power and auctoritie vpon euerye presentmente or information touching the premises or any of them, to make processe by *Veni facias*, one *Capias*, and an *Exigent*, vnder the seales of the same Justices, or two of them, against euerye suche person and persons, against whom anye suche information or presentment should bee had for their apparance afore them in their sessions, to be holden as is aforesaid, to answer to suche information or presentment as should be there had or made. And if the person or persones accused by information or presentment, should bee convicted vpon anye suche information or presentment, by confession or verdict of xii. men, & then the said Justices of peace, or two of them, afore whom such conviction should be had, should haue power and auctoritie, to geue iudgement agaynst euerye suche offender and offenders so convicted of suche peines by imprisonment, or suche peines losse and forfeitures of money or bothe, or anye of them, as are knytted in the saide seuerall statutes for suche offences wherof they should be so convicted, and cause execution thereof to be made and had accordingly. And also the said Justices of peace, or two of them, at and in their saide sessions to bee holden (as is aforesaid) should haue power and auctoritie to correcte and reforme the panelles of Iuries for any iniquities so be made afore them touching the sayde statutes or any of them, in lyke maner and fourme as Justices of Gaole delinerie and of peace might do in their sessions by vertue of a statute made thereof in the thirde yere of our moste Dard soveraigne lord the kinges raigne that now is. And that the Shylfe and other ministers, hauing power to reforme panelles, should make his and their retournes accordinge to such reformation or correction of the Justices aforesaid, vpon the peyne limited by the same statute, as by the same statute, made in the said xxxiii. yere of the kinges maiesties reigne that now is, more plainly dooeth and may appere.

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And for as muche as the kynges mosse louyng subiectes are much tra-
uailed and otherwise encumbred in commyng and keepyng of the said six
weekes sessions, to their costes charges and vniquietnesse; bee it therfore
enacted by the kinge our soueraigne lord, with the assent of the lordes spi-
rituall and tempozall, and the commons of this present parliament assem-
bled, and by thautozitie of the same, that the saide former acte, made in
the saide .xxiii. yere of the kynges maiestyes reigne, and all ordinaunces
articles prouissions & thinges therein conteyned, shall be from henceforth
repealed adnulled & vtterly voyde and of none effecte, to all intentes, con-
structions and purposes. And that all and every article therein conteyned
shal be, by vertue therof, inquired of before all Justices of peace, at their
auncient quarter sessions, shall haue lyke power and auctoritie, by vertue
hereof to punishe & reforme all, and every suche offence and offences in
lyke maner & fourme as they might haue doone by vertue of the sayde for-
mer acte, made in the sayde .xxiii. yere of the kynges reygne.

An acte that any inditement lacking these wordes, *vi & armis*, shall
be good and sufficient, in the lawe. Cap. viii.



Here before this tyme it was and yet is commonly bled in
all indictementes and inquisitiones of treason, murdre, se-
longe, trespass, and dyuers other, to haue comprised and
put in euery the same indictementes and inquisitiones these
wordes, *vi & armis*, and in diuers of the same indictemen-
tes to declare the maner of the force & armes. That is to
saye, *vi & armis*, videlicet *baculis cultellis arcibus & sagittis*, or such other
lyke wordes in effecte, where of truth the parties so indicted had no maner
of suche weapons at the tyme of the saide offence committed and done: yet
in defaulte and lacke of the same wordes, the saide indictementes were &
yet be taken as voyde in the lawe, for to put anye person to aunswere ther-
into: and the partie or parties so indicted for lacke of the same wordes,
not beinge comprised and put in the saide indictementes, haue taken ad-
uantage therof, and haue auoyded the same indictementes by voyt or voyt-
tes of Error, or by plee vpon his or their apparance, as the same case did
requyre. For reformation wherof, bee it enacted by the kyng our soue-
raigne lord, with the thassent of the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and of
the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie
of the same, that from the feast of the natiuite of our lord god next com-
myng, these wordes, *vi et armis*, videlicet, *cum baculis cultellis arcibus et
sagittis*, or suche other like, shal not of necessitie be put or comprised in anye
inquisition or inditement: nor that the partie or parties beyng hereafter
indicted of any offence, shall haue or tak any aduantage by voytte or voyt-
tes of Error plee or otherwise to adnull or auoide anye suche inquisition
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of inditement, for that that the sayde wordes, biggynnyng with the wordes
 cōtellellis articulis & sagittis, of any of the same or like wordes; shall not be
 put or compyled in the sayde inquisitions, or indictments: But that the
 same inquisitions be indictments; and cause of them, lacking the sayde
 wordes, be a nullis, videlicet de nullis cōtellellis articulis & sagittis, of any of
 them, that from thenceforth, by the auctorite aforesaid, be taken deemed &
 adjudged to all intents, contractions & purposes, as good and effectuell
 in the lawe, as the same inquisitions and indictments; having the sayd
 wordes, be a nullis, videlicet de nullis cōtellellis articulis & sagittis; compyl-
 ed and put in curs of the same inquisitions and indictments were of
 heretofore have ben taken deemed or adjudged: any lath blame or trespase
 heretofore had and doo to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted by the authorities aforesaid, that if any person or persons, at any time after the said sealing of the said writte of our lord god here continuing, do shall any hoile gelding make sole or filley, and therof be founde guilty by verdict of iiii. men, or by hys owne confession, be attempted, or otherwyse be indicted for the healing of any hoile gelding make sole or filley, and thereupon accused, and do stande must of iudice of freward friend, or thaling petyonously aduise the iudice of xx. shill. toll not to be tolde. Thereto the same iudicement is aduise, to wiche upon he is so aduised, that that elyng such person and persons shal not from thence forth be admitted to haue any benefite of his or their charge, but vntill he be declared therof, and shall suffer double in such manner and forage, as they shoul haue if they were no elyng. This 2. mcccc. xlii. day. Given at

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Wher before this tyme duers and sundrie actes statutes
and lawes have bene ordeined had & made wiche in this
reigne for the abolishing & punishment of blowe being
a thing unlawfull, & of other corrupt bargaynes, bytters
& excommunications, wiche actes statutes & lawes ben so ob-
scure and darke in ententes wordes & termes, and wiche
ye have to many doubtes ambiguities and questions
have taken and gotten; and the said actes statutes and lawes bene of so
littell force or effecte, that by reason therof littell or no punishment hath
ensued in the offenders of the same, but rather hath encouraged them to
doe the same. For reformation wherof is enacted by the kinge his honorable
counsaile lord by the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and of the
commons in this present parliamente assembled, and by the authority of the
same, that all and every the said actes statutes & lawes heretofore made,
of for or concerning blawes bytters corrupt bargaynes and excommunications
and every of them; and all penes forlawes and penalties concerninge
the same and everie parte therof, shall from hencefoorth bee utterly boide

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And he hath further suffered by the statute aforesaid, that no personne
or personnes, of what degree or condition so ever he or they be, from and
after the last date of this last writ cummynge, shall by him selfe factoure or
lawyer, seruant or depuie, let by matche or byds or wages to any per-
son or persons; and within thre monethes nexte after by him selfe factour
lawyer or depuie, geve any other person or persons to his use and behoufe,
by the same matche or byds or wages, or any part or partell thereof, upon a
lesser price; knowinge them to be the same wages or matche or byds that he
hath bid to bargain and sel, upon the piques and forfeitures hereafter by
us made in this statute; nor Capowds to demand piques and suad piques and

And be it also enacted by the same parliament that no person or persons of what estate degree or condition so ever he or they be, at any time after the saids laste paye of Tynners money commynge, by way or mean of any corrupt bargaine lone exchange cheuif fact shift in tereit of any wares marchandises or other thing or thinges what so ever, or by anye other corrupt or distreft full waye or means, or by anye sowe Engin or discretfull waye or contrivance; shall have receyve acceptes or take in lurre or rapnes for the fforbering or geuyng day of payement of any hole pene of and for his or thers money or other thynge, that shall her due for the same wares marchandises or other thing or thinges above the summe of x. li in the hundred and so after that rate, and not above; of and for a more or lesse tyme, or for a longer or shorter tyme; and no more or greater gaine or lurre thereupon to be had, upon the pepnes and forsaetures hereafter in this acte mentioned and conferrned.

And be it further enacted by the said lords assembled, that if any person or persons, at any time after the laste last day of January, doo bargainne and sell, or lay to mortgage by any title or means, any manours landes tenementes or hereditamentes to any person or persons, upon condition or payment or non payment of any number of hundredes of money to be had paid by made at any day certayne, or before any such day by him, that shal so bargainne sell or lay to mortgage the same manours landes tenementes or hereditamentes that the same person or persons, to whome any such manours landes tenementes or hereditamentes shal be so bargained sold or lay to mortgage shal not by reason thereof have ne take ne lurre or gaires, or the illesuementes or profittes of the same manours landes tenementes or hereditamentes above the summe of x. li. in the hundred, for one hole yere, or so after the rate above saide, for a moneth or less, summe or for a longer or shorter time, and no more, nor other helpe, upon the paines forfeitures & penalties hereafter in this statute containe limited and expressed.

And he further certifies that the said property, thus a time period or portion of, was subject degree quality or condition to ever be or they be at any time after the said last day of January next commencing

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shall dooe any act or acts; thing or thinges contrary to the tenore, forme and effect of this statute, or any clause article or sentence contained in the same, that shal all and every offendor and offendours therunto in any parte thereof, shall forfeite and lose for ever the treble value of the wares marchandise and other thinge or thinges so bargained sold exchanged or shifted; and the treble value of the issues and profits of the sayde wares marchandise and hereditaments, as he hath taken or received by reason of any such bargain sale or mortgage; and also shall have and suffer imprisonment of his body; and make fine and ransom at the kinges will and pleasure: The more of which forfeitures of the sayde treble value, shalbe to the kinge and the other mortie to him or them that will sue for the same in any of the thinges written by action of dette bill playne or information in whiche action bill playne or information no waige of lawe effeing or protectioun shall be admitted or allowed: **¶** Provided alwayes and heretofore by the auctorite aforesaide, that this acte, nor any thinge therein contrayned, shall not in any wise extend to any lawfull obligation indured with a condition, next to any feoffment or recognisance made and to be made for the payment of a lesser summe, so that the same obligation statute or recognisance be made for a true issue and pertaine dette, or for the performance of any other true covenants made or to be made upon a iuste and lawfull intent had betwene the parties other then in cases of vnyrs, interest, corrupt bargaines, shifts or chauce, ne yett shall extend to any recognisance fyne forffment releafe confirmation, pgraunte made or to be made upon condition with a true intent, other than to such recoveries fyne forffment releafe confirmation and grauntes as shalbe made upon condition extendynge to vnyrs interest corrupt bargaines shifts or chauce: any thyng in this statute contained, or any lawe statute or ordinaunce heretofore had used or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

An acte against sleaunders by lles: Cap. 1.



Where divers malicious and euill disposed personnes, of their peruerse cruell and malicious intents; mindinge the hurt and damage of some personnes, to whom they haue and doe beare malice hatred and euill will, haue of late moste diuillishly practised and deuised diuerse wytynges; wherein hath bene comprised; that the same personnes, to whom they beare malices, shoulde speake traeterouse wordes againste the kinges maiestie, bys crowne and dignitee; or committe dyuerse heynouse and detestable treasons againste the kinges highnes (where in veray deede the personnes so accused, neuer spake nor committed any suche offence) and the same wytynges, so deuised wytten and made, haue caste abroad, and left in places, where they mought be and haue bene founde wythout subscribynge or wytyng the true name

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of the sayde articles, or any other manner of appoyning, the same to be true be-
fore the kynge or his counsell, by reason whereof, divers of the kynges
true saythfull and loyng subjects have been put in feare and drede of
the sayde articles, and of the loss & forfeiture of their landes, tenementes, goodes
and catelles, as ought to be, and as it is, and as it shall be, and as it
shall be, and as it shall be, and as it shall be, and as it shall be, and as it shall be,
for reformation wherof be desired by the kynge our souerayne
lord, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this pre-
sent parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, that if any per-
son or persons, of what estate degree or condition he or they be, shall at a-
ny tyme hereafter doubletreate or write or cause to be devised made or writ-
ten any manner of writings, compassinges, that anye manner persone or
persons have spoken committed or done any offence or offences, whiche no to
by the lawes of this realme be made treason, or that hereafter shall be
made treason, and the same writings or compassinges do passe or leane in open
places, where they maye and shalbe founde, and do not subscribe or cause
to be subscribed his or their name to the same writings, and within xij. dayes
next after the same do not personally come before the king or his counsaile,
and affirme the contents of the same writing and writings to be true,
and do as much as in him shalbe for the appoynement of the same: That
then all and every person and persons offending as is aforesayde, shall be
denied and adjudged felon and felons, and every suche offence shall be
adjudged and denied felony and the offence and offenders in the same
and each of them being of the same offence or offences lafully convicted
or attainted (after the lawes of the realme) shall have and suffer suche
paines of death, lorde and forfeiture of landes, tenementes, goodes, and cat-
tells, as in other cases of felony without anye benefite of clergy, or pri-
vilege of sanctuary to be admitted graunted or allowed in that behalfe.

An acte for the marshes beside Grenewiche. Cap. xi.



So muche as the marshes, called the newe marshes and
Combemarches, in the parische of East Grenewiche, in the
countre of Kent bene sundry tymes in great perill, & daun-
gier of overflowing, by reason of the raginge floudes &
great tides, that would breake in there, if generall owners
of the sayde marshes, should not certaintly provide for
the defence thereof from tyme to tyme, by makinge amendinge and repai-
ringe the bankes of the same: And all bee it, that the mooste parte of the
owners of the sayde marshes bee continually charged with the reparati-
ons of the bankes of the same, payng after a rate for the acre, yet some o-
wners thereof be, which have not nor will not paye any thing, nor in any wise
be contributorie towards the amendment and riparacions there: by rea-
son whereof the saide bankes be not duely nor conveniently repaired, to the
great peril and daungier of overflowing and drowning of the sayde mar-
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thes, and to the greates losse and hinderance of divers of your graces lo-
vinge subjectes as well shipp owners as partell of the same; as to an in-
finite number of other, that be dayly refreshed, and have greafe sustenta-
cion by the same. In consideration whereof it maye please his highnesse,
with the advice of his lordes spiritual and temporall; and the commons in
this present parliament assembled, and by authority of the same; that it
maye bee established and enacted, that all and every such person and per-
sons as now be, or whiche hereafter shalbe donors of the saide marshes,
or of any partell thereof, shal at all times after the end of this session of this
present parliament, pay and bee contented to, and be chargeable towaordes
the reparacion and amendment of the saide marshes from tyme to tyme,
after the rate of the acre, as other donors there have heretofore bene char-
ged. And that by authority aforesaide it shalbe lawful to the exchequer
and collectors, or one of them from tyme to tyme, when any lesse or lease
shal be had by made in that behalfe, to distraine the goodes and chattells
of suche persons, that shal refuse to pay after suche rate, and the same be
attelles to receive here and to according to the lawes of Honney marche
in such behalfe heretofore used.

An acte for tithes in London. *Cap. vii.*



where of late time contention first and variance hath ri-
sen and grown within the cite of London and the par-
ishes of the same, betwene the persons, vicars, & curates, of
the saide cytye and the citizens, and inhabitauntes, of the
same, for & concerning the payementes of tithes, oblations
& other duties within the saide cite & liberties. For appea-
ring whereof a certain order and decree was made thereof by the most re-
verend father in God Thomas archbishop of Canturbury metropolitayne
chefe prynciat of all England, Thomas Audley knight lord Audley of
Walden, and then lord chauncellour of England now deceased, and other
of the kinges maiesties moste honorable prync counsaile and also the kyn-
ges letters patentes and proclamacion was made thereof and directed to
the saide cytyzens concerning the same, where upon it was after enacted
in the parliament holden at westminster by prorogacion the fourth daye of
february in the xxvii. yere of the kinges maiesties moste noble reigne, by
authority of the same parliament; that the cytyzens and inhabitauntes
of the same cite should at Easter than next comyng, pay unto the curates
of the saide cite & subburbes, all such and like summes of money for tithes
oblations and other duties, as the saide cytyzens and inhabitauntes by
the order of the saide late lord Chauncellour and other of the kinges most
honorable counsaile and the kynges saide proclamacion, payed or oughte
to have paid by force and vertue of the said order at Easter, whiche was
in the yere of our lord god. M. D. XXXI. and the same payementes
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to continue from time to time, untill such time as any other order or
law should be made published ratified and confirmed by the kinges high-
nes; and the xxii persons by his grace to be named aswel for the substa-
blishment containing the paymente of all tythes, oblations and other due-
ties of the inhabitantes within the sayde cite suburbs and liberties of
the same; as for the makinge of other ecclesiasticall lawes of this realme of
Englande; and that every person denying to pay as is aforesaide, shoulde
by the commaundement of the Maye of London for the tyme beyng, be
conduicted to prison, there to remaine untill such time as he or they shoulde
have agreed with the curate or curates for their sayde tythes, oblations, &
other duties, as is aforesaide, as in the saide acte more playnly appereth.
Wherby which acte divers variacions, contentions and strifes are newly
risen and growen betwene the saide persons, vicars, and curates, and the
sayde citizens and inhabitants touching the paymentes of their cythes
oblations and other duties by reason of certayn wordes and termes spe-
cified in the saide order, whiche are not so playnly and fully set fourth, as
is thought convenient and mete to be: for appealing inhereof, as well the
saide persons vicars and curates, as the sayde citizens and inhabitants
have compromitted and put them selues to stande to such order and decre
touching the premisses, as shalbe made by the sayde ryght reuerend father
in god Thomas archebishoppe of Caunterburie, metropolitayne and prym-
mary of Englande, the ryght honorable Sir Thomas Wyrothesley knyghte
lorde wyrothesley and lorde chancelour of Englande, the right hono-
rable Thomas Duke of Gloucestre lord Treasorer of Englande, the right ho-
norable Sir William Patour knight, lord seint John, lord president of the
counsaile and lord grete master of the kinges moste honorable household,
the right honorable Sir Thon Russel knight lord Russell, and lord pryuey-
seale, the ryght honorable Edward Carle of hereff, lord grete Chamber-
laine of Englande, the ryght honorable Thon vicounte Lyfle hyghe admi-
rall of Englande, Sir Richard Lytton knight chiefe Justice of Englande,
Sir Edward Mountague knight chiefe Justice of the common benche at
westminster, and Sir Roger Cholmeley knyght, chiefe Barne of the esche-
ker, for a finall end and conclusion to be had and made touching the pre-
misses for ever: And to the entent to haue a full pcease and perfite ende bee-
twene the saide parties their heires and successours, touching the saide ty-
thes, oblations and other duties for ever: Be it enacted by auctoritie of
this present parliament, that such end order and direction as shalbe made
decreed and concluded by the fornamed archebishop lordes and knightes,
or any .vi. of them, before the fyrste daye of Marche nexte ensuyng, of
for and concerning the paymentes of the Tythes, oblations and other
duties within the saide cite, & the liberties of the same, and enroled in the
kinges high court of Chauncery of recoorde, shall stande remayne and bee
as an acte of parliament, and shall bynde aswell all citizens and inhabi-
tantes of the saide cite and liberties for the tyme beyng, as the sayde per-
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continued, may be made, aduanced and deemed from henceforth frustrate and nullified, and to be repealed for ever, as though the same were in that behalf had neuer ben made or provided.

It is provided alway, as be it enacted by the saids statutes, that all actions, bills, plaintes, and informations not commenced or depending in the kinges courtes of the chequer, kinges bench, or common place, or for any offence done to the contrary to the tenore of the saids former acts, shall continue and bee in their force and strength: and all indempnities & executions therein to be sued and had in any manner and forme, as by thes acts of reple had neuer be had or made.

An acte for the maintenance of the peere at

Scarborough. Cap. xlii.
A most humble sheweth unto your highnesse your true and faithfull suberites, the bailiffes and chiefe of your towne of Scarborough, in the countie of York, that where of old antiquitie, as well the inhabitants & dwellers within your said towne, as al other both your graces suberites & strangers, hauing any entrecoure, passages or repassage from anye parte of this realme of Englande, or from beyonde the sea, to your parts by haue of Scarborough, haue had for their shippes, bottes and vessels, goodes & marchandises both in the hape of peere in the haven of Scarborough, at all times, good, sure, and safe harbours, & haue had in the said haven fraue egre & enterance with their shippes and other vessels at all tydes, and as entree fullfra; by reason wherof as well all manner of mariners as fishermen, beyng on the sea in any aduenture, tempest, or perill, the good catch, haue ever been accustomed to resort thither for the safegardes and assurance, as well of mens liues as vessels, goodes, and marchandises: by meanes of whiche greates resort, the said towne was well inhabited, and the inhabitants therof well occupied, as well with many good occupations, as with fishing and making of drying of fish, to the greates commoditie and profit to the dwellers within the said towne and the countie ther into nere adioyning, as of all other maner of this realme thither resortinge and coming; by occasion wherof your highnesse customes byd percelve extend vnto a good and large summe of money at the said haven. And also all the owners of all the messuages, landes, and tenementes within the precinct of the said towne, and let their said messuages, landes and tenementes at greates rentes of fees to their greates advantages and profits: vnto now of late and within fewe yeres, that the said key of peere within the said haven, by the floudde and rage of the sea, compage to the said towne, and inlarging our and vpon the said key of peere, in times of tempest, hath beene and broken downe, and meruailouslye woyme

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woyne awaye the saide key or peere, in so much that the sayd haven is not of late yeres so haunted & frequented with shippes and vessels, as heretofore it hath been accustomed and used, to the greate impouerishyng of the inhabitantes and dwellers in the sayde towne, and to the great decaye of the nūbre of the same, and to the hinderance and minishyng of the rentes and fermes of the mesuages, landes, & tenementes within the precinctes, limittes and boundes of the said towne of Scarburgh, in so much that a great nūbre of the said landes and tenementes now are fallen downe decayed and at thys tyme remayne vncreedified, lyng as desolate in, boyd grounde, which within few yeres would be amended and reedified, and might be let or letten for much greater rentes or fermes, than they be at this tyme, if the said key or peere were repaired & made againe, that shippes, boates, and other vessels might haue harbor in the sayde haven, and course and recourse in and forth, as hath been in times past, which key or peere beyng now so farre decayed, that the inhabitantes of the sayde towne the tenants and fermers of the said mesuages, landes, and tenementes, are not able to reedifie, repaire, or amend without the owners of the sayd mesuages, landes, and tenementes, may be compelled to be perely contri- butors and helpers vnto the same. In consideration whereof be it enacted ordeined and established by the assente of the kinges maiestie & the lordes spirituall and temporall and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, in maner and fourme as here- after folowynge shall appere. That is to say, the kyng our soueraigne lord, by the auctoritie aforesaide ordeineth, maketh, establisheth, and erecteth a certayne corporation or body politike of the nūbre of two persons, commonly to be called for ever, the maisters or keepers of the keye or peere of Scarburgh, whiche corporation or body politike, by auctorite aforesaid, continually and for ever shall remayne & abide a perfecte corporacion or body politike. And the said maisters or keepers, and their succes- sours, shall and may be at all tyme and tymes hereafter enabled & auctory- sed to sue and pleade, and be sued & empleaded by the name of maysters or keepers of the saide key or peere of Scarburghe: and also shall haue one seale, whiche shall be called the common seale.

¶ And be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that the bayliffes, cor- oners and serchers of occupacions of the sayde towne of Scarburghe, and their successors, for the tyme beyng, shall haue full power and aucthor- itie, by vertue of this act, to electe nominate and chole at the common hall within the sayde towne of Scarburgh, two sufficient discrete and honest persons, dwelling within the said towne of Scarburgh, or the limittes of the same, to be maisters and keepers of the saide key or peere by the space of three yeres nexte ensuyng their election: whiche election, by the auc- toritie aforesaid, shall be the first day of februarye next ensuyng. After which election so had and made, and knowlege therof geuen by the sayde bayliffes, coroners and serchers, the saide persons so elected and chosen to
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be maisters and keepers of the saide key or peere, shall alwaies upon their election, and notice thereof geuen, informe aforesaide, entree into their saide office, in the feast of the Purification of our blessed lady saint Marye the virgin, and from thenceforth shall continually remaine and abide in the saide office by the space of three yeres nexte ensuinge their election. And the said bailiffes, coroners, and serchers, and their successours, for the time beinge, shall at all time and tynge hereafter, at the ende of thre yeres make a new election, in forme aforesaide, of two other persons, to be maisters and keepers of the saide key or peere, to vse, exercise, and occupy the saide office, in maner and fourme as befoze by thys present act is specified and declared.

¶ And be it also enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that if any person or persons, whiche hereafter shall be chosen by the saide bailiffes, coroners, and serchers, and their successours, for the time beinge, to be maisters or keepers of the saide key or peere, do refuse to take upon them the saide roume and office, or to vse and exercise the same, according to the fourme of this present acte: that then he or they, or either of them, so refusing shall lose and forsaite for everie tyme, that any suche refusall is had or made, fouertie shillinges to the nexte maisters and keepers, and their successours of the saide key or peere, the same to be bestowed and employed upon the reparyng and mainteining of the same key or peere. For whiche forsaiture of .xl.s. the saide maisters and keepers, & their successours, shall distraine the landes, goodes, and cattalles of him or them that shall lose or forsaite the same, lying or being within the towne of Scarburgh or the precinctes of the same, to have an action of dette by writte bill or plainte in any of the king's courtes, or in any other court, who hath auctoritie or cognisance to holde plea of dette.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that if it shall happen the saide maisters and keepers or either of them, to die in the tyme of their office, or refuse to exercise and occupy the same: that then the said bailiffes, coroners and serchers, shall have auctoritie, by vertue of this act, within five daies after the death or refusall of suche maister, or keeper to the knowen and certified at the common hall aforesaid, to chole and elect new maisters and keepers, or anew maister and keeper, in the roome of them or him that so shall happen to die or refuse, to fulfil the roume of the same one, ly to the ende of thole three yeres.

¶ And be it further enacted, that the fore sayde maisters and keepers and their successours hereafter shall perely leuie, receive, and have of all and every person and persons, beinge owler or owlers, and haupnge estate of inheritance, or being ternaunte by the courtesse, or tenant in doctee of any mesuage or mesuages, tenement or tenementes, or anye kinde of rentes, garbeins, or chardes, or other landes, groundes, or hereditamentes, situate or lying within the precinctes limitres or bondes of the saide towne of Scarburgh, or the liberties & iurisdictiones of the same, or of any kinde

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kinde of rent or rentes, being due to be paid further, or for any of the same to, for, and towards the reparacions, amending and buildinge, and for maintenance of the same hie or peere: the first parte of the yerely rent of all such messuages, tenementes, gardenes, orchardes, landes, groundes or hereditamentes, lying within the precinctes, liberties and boundes aforesaid, to be hereafter yerely paid unto the same masters and keepers of the same hie or peere, for the same being, by the farmers or occupiers of every of the said messuages, tenementes, & other the premises, at the feastes of Pentecost and saint Martine in winter, every year by even portions. And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the first payment shall beginne at the feast of Pentecost, next ensuyng the making of this present acte.

¶ And further be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that if anye owner or owners of any such messuages, tenementes, gardenes, orchardes, landes or ground, lying within the liberties of Scarborough aforesaid, do holde and occupie the same in his or their owne handes, not letten to anye farmer: then everye such owner or owners, shall yerely paye as is abovesaide, the .v. parte of so muche rente or ferme, as his said messuage, tenement, garden, orchard, lande, ground, or hereditament, maye be reasonably letten to ferme for, as by the valuation of ferme discrete persones of the same countie, shalbe adjudged without fraude or coun.

¶ And be it further enacted, by the auctorite aforesaid, that for lacke of payment of the said .v. parte of the rentes and fermes above rehearsed, the same masters and keepers and their successors, shall have full power by vertue of this acte, to enter into everye such messuage, tenement and other the premises, wherof the said .v. parte of everye such rente or ferme shalbe due and unpaid, and there distraine, and the distresse there taken to carie and take a waie, retaine and kepe, unto such tyme as they be fully contented and payde the .v. parte of such rent or ferme, as is before expressed with the averrages, if anye be.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that every farmer or occupier of such messuages, tenementes, or other the premises, payng the .v. parte of the rent or the ferme abovesaide, unto the foresayde masters or keepers of the hie or peere of Scarborough aforesaid, for the same being, shalbe therof and for so muche cleerly acquitted & discharged against the owner or owners of such messuages, tenementes, gardenes, orchardes, landes, groundes, or hereditamentes, also rehearsed, and against the heires and executors of the same owner or owners, and the heires and executors of every of them: any usage, custome, lawe, convention, adventure, obligation or bondes to the contrary made, or hereafter to be made, in any wise notwithstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the said masters and keepers, for the tyme being, shall have power and auctho-

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rite, to order, rule, set forth, oversee and governe the workes of the saide Kele or Peere, to hire workemen, buye stuffe for the same, and make provision for every thing therunto belonging, appertaining, or necessarie for the mooste profite and furtheraunce of the same, after their best policie and wisdom. And at the ende of every three yeres, to make their accomptes unto the Bailiffes, Coroners and Sheriffs aforesaide, who shall here examine, and determine the saide accomptes: and allowe all things worthy to be allowed, and disallowe suche as be not worthy to be allowed.

And shall likewise assigne, what and how muche the saide masters & keepers, in accomptaunte, shall have allowed them for their laboures, expences and charges by them in that behalf sustained, in the time of their office, wherewith the saide masters and keepers shall be contented, without any further demaunde. And such accomptes so heard, examined and determined by the bailiffes, coroners and sheriffs aforesaide, the saide masters and keepers in accomptaunte, shall cause the saide accomptes to be fully and truly to be double written, in parchment indented, the one parte wherof to remaine with the saide Bailiffes, and the other parte with the saide masters and keepers.

¶ And it further enacted, that the saide Bailiffes, Coroners, and Sheriffs, for the time being, upon the thirde daye of February, at every three yeres ende, or within. ii. dayes then next ensuing, shall here examine and determine the saide accomptes, without any further delaye, under paine of forfeiture of every one of them. ii. s. to the use of the saide kepe or peere to be levied and retained by the masters or keepers for the time being.

¶ And in case that the masters or keepers, or anye of them, at the ende of their office, do refuse to make their accompt, or neglect the same: It is enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that the bailiffes of the towne of Stratborowgh, for the time being, may have actions of account, actions of debt, or arrears of accomptes, against the said masters and keepers, their heires and executors, for, and concerning the receipts of the yeerlye revenues, issues and profits, to the saide kepe or peere, in any wille belonging, or appertaining. And also all and singular debts and summes of money, which shall be hereafter recovered by vertue of the premises, shall be delivered by the saide bailiffes, to the masters and keepers of the kepe or peere aforesaide, for the time being, for the repaying and maintenance of the same.

And in like manner the said accomptauntes, to have the same remedy against their successors for the surplussage of their accomptes if any such shall happen to be.

¶ And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that if anye person or persons hereafter shall happen to practice or attempt anye defraude, couin or guile in any thinge or thinges within the saide liberties and precinctes, touching or concerning the saide. v. parte of the yeerlye rents or termes of the said messuages, landes, tenementes and other the premises.

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misses aboue specified in disturbaunce, and contrary to the true meaning of this present act. Or if any ambiguitie or doubt shall hereafter be found or arise in this presente acte, that then the saide fraude, guile, couin, doubt or ambiguitie, shall bee examined, tried and fully ended and determined, at the suite of the maisters and keepers of the said Beie or Deere, and their successours, before the lord Chancellor of england, for the tyme beyng which lord Chancellor, shall haue authoritie by vertue of this acte, not only to here, examine and determine all suche causes: but also to expounde and interpret euery ambiguitie and doubt, arising of any thyng conteyned in thys acte.

An acte agaynst the regatynge of wolles. Cap. xv.

WHEREAS as by Draperie and making of wollen clothes within this realme, many of the kinges poore subiectes, in great numbres, haue bene heretofore well occupied and set a woork, & for that the same should bee continued and maynteyned, amonges other yt was established and enacted as well in the parliament holden at Westmynster the fowrth yere of the late kyng Henry the seventh as in the parliamente holden at Westmynster in the. xiii. yere of the regne of our moste graced soueraygne lord the kinges royall maiestie that now is, that no maner of personne, by him selfe, or by any other, shoulde buye or bargayne, frome the firste daye of marche, then nexte ensuyng the making of the sayde acte, any wolles then beyng vnsheered, or shoulde take promise of bargayne of anye wolles then vnsheered: of the growynge of the shypes of Kent, Surrey, Sussex, Southamton, Wyltes. Dorset, Somersette, Gloucester, Wylt. Hereforde, Salopp. Warwike, Leicester, Notyngham, Derby, Lincoln, Rutland, Northampton, Dorset. Suff. Essex. Cambridg, Huntingdon, Buck. Bedford, or anye of them, before the feast of the Assumption of our Lady then nexte ensuyng: Or buye or bargayne anye wolles, or take promise of bargayne of anye wolles that shall growe in anye of sayde shypes, in anye yere or yeres then to come, after the sayde feast of the Assumption of our Lady, any tyme before the said feast of the Assumption of our Lady, that shall bee nexte after the shearynge of the saide wolles or wolles: but suche personnes, that of the said wolles or wolles, shoulde make, or dooe to bee made yarne or clothe, within this realme upon payne of forfaiture of the double valne of all the wolles boughte, or for to bee bargayned, or taken by promise of bargayne, contrary to the saide ordinaunce: And further it was ordeined, by authoritie aforesayde that no person, after the sayde firste daye of Marche, shoulde buye or bargayne any manner of woll, within this realme, for anye marchant strainger, nor shoulde take any promise of bargayne and sale of anye woll, for anye marchant strainger within this realme, upon payne of forfaiture

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of the same wolles so bought: or wherof promesse of bargain, or sale should bee so taken, to the vse of any straunger, or the value of the same wolles: The one halfe of all whiche forsaitures, should be to the kynge our soueraigne lord, the other halfe to be to hym, that would sue the partye, that should breake the said ordinaunce. And that if any persone, that would sue in that parte, should and mought haue an accion of debte, of the saide forsaiture: and suche proces in the same accion be had, as in an accion of debte, at the common lawe, or after the custome of the Citey, Borough or toun: where it should happen to be sued: And that none esson, ne protection be allowed, nor wager of lawe for the saied defendaunt admitted, as by the saied estatute more plainly it maye appere. Whiche acte was made to endure, from the saied first day of Marche, vnto the ende of ten yeres, then next ensuyng, and from the ende of the saied ten yeres, vnto the ende of the nexte parliament, to be holden after the ende of the saied ten yeres: which time is now expired, by reason wherof diuers persons, as broggers, regratours, and engrossers of wolles, for their owne singular lucre and aduantage, to the intent to sell the same againe vnwrought, and to enhance the pyces of wolles, haue taken and gathered into their handes diuers greate quantities and numbre of stones and waightes of woll: and also haue taken promisses and bargaines of woll, in diuers the saied shires, now vnborne: so that neither the Marchauntes of the staple, ne yet suche as would dye and make yarne and clothe, within this realme, can haue wolles at any reasonable prices for the same: For remedie wherof, and to the entente aswell the marchauntes of the staple, as suche as woll make yarne and clothe, within this realme, maye the better hereafter be prouided of wolles, conueniente for the same: It is ordeyned and enacted by auctoritie of this presente parliamente, that from and after the saied first daie of March, now nexte commyng, no maner of persone, other then marchauntes of the saied staple, and their seruantes and factours, for the onely prouision of the saied staple, and for to bee shopped onely to the saied staple, and other then suche as shall conuert the same into yarne or cloth, within this realme, by hym self, or by any other: buye or bargain or take promesse of bargain of any wolles, beeyng now vnborne, of the growinge of the shires of Kent, Surrey, Sussex, Southampton, Wiltes, Dorset, Somers, Gloucester, Wors, Hereford, Salopp, Warwike, Leicester, Nottingham, Derby, Dyke, Lincoln, Rutlande, Northampton, Northfolke, Suff. Essex, Cambridge, Huntington, Buck, Bedford, and Hereford: or any of theim, before the feaste of the Purification of oure ladye, nexte after the shearinge and clippinge of the sayde wolles: or buye or bargain any wolles, or take promesse of bargain of any wolles, that shall growe in any of the saide shires, in any yere, or yeres to come, after the saide feaste of the Purification of our ladye, that shall bee nexte after the shearinge of clipping of the sayd wolles, but onely suche persones, their seruantes and factours, that of the sayd wolles shall make, or do to be made yarne, hattes, girdeles

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girdelles, or clothe within thys realme, and not to sell the same wolle as
gaine, or the stapler, or his factours, to be shipped onely to the sayde estaple
vpon paine of forfaiture of the double value, of the sayde wolles boughte
or for to be bargained, or taken by promise of bargain, contrarye to thys
acte and ordinaunce.

¶ Provided alwayes, that it shall be lawfull for enery man, to buye or
sende hys owne wolles vnto the common markettes, and there to sell the
same vnto the marchaunte of the staple, or hys factor, or to hym or them,
that will buye the same for to make yarne or clothe, within this realme, or
their factour or seruantes. And in case neither the stapler, his factour, or
other for hym, or the clothier, or other for hym, will not buye the same wolles,
so broughte to the market, in their defaulte, to sell the same to anye other,
that will buye the same, in the sayde open market: Buie thing in thys
present acte, to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ And further be it enacted by chauncerye aforesaide, that no personne
after the firste date of Marche, nowe nexte comminge, shall buye or bar-
gaine, at any maner wolles within this realme, for any marchaunt stranger
nor shall take any promise of bargain, or sale of anye wolles, for anye mar-
chaunt stranger within this realme, vpon paine of forfaiture of the same
wolles so bought, or whereof promise of bargain and sale shalbe so taken
to the vse of the marchaunt stranger, or the value of the same wolles, the
moitie of whiche forfaitures, to be to the kinge our soveraigne lord, the
other moitie, to the partie that will sue for the same, the partie that shall
breake this ordinaunce, and that persone, that will sue in that behalfe
shall and maye haue an action of debte, of the sayde forfaiture and suche
processe in the same to be had, as in an action of debte at the common law
or after the custom of the cite, Burowe, or towne, where it shall be sued,
where in none essoin protection, ne wager of lawe shalbe admitted.

¶ And further it is enacted, that all bargayns, couenauntes, promises,
and contractes for wolles, heretofore made, or anye time hereafter, before
the firste daye of Marche, nowe nexte comminge, to be made by any per-
sone, of, or for anye wolles, of the growinge of anye of the saide shires, be-
yng vnshorne, shal be voyde and of none effecte: Excepte the buyer prouy-
der or suche personne or personnes, to whom any such former promes or
bargayn is made, doe put the same wolles, by hym receiued by suche for-
mer contracte, couenante, or promise, into yarne or clothe, within thys
realme, or do ship the same to the saide estaple.

¶ It is also further provided and enacted, that the sayde marchaunte of
the said staple, maie bargayn and sell their refuse or course wolles, suche
as is mete for the saide estaple, to any other persone, that will buye the
same, to make yarne clothe, within this realme: Anye thing in thys acte
to the contrary notwithstanding. This acte to continue and endure, vnto
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In acte for the annexing of certeine landes to the duchy of Lancastre, and an exchaunge betwene the kinges maiestie, the archbishops of Canturbury & Yorke, and the bishop of London. cap. xvi

The kyng our soueraigne lord, considering and regarding the estate of his duchy of Lancastre, beyng one of þe moſte princeliest and ſtateleſt peeces of his graces auncient inheritaunce, and perceiuyng that the poſſeſſions and perely reuenues thereof, haue ben of late greatly diminithed, as well by reaſon of ſundry giſtes, grauntes and ſales, made by his highneſſe, as by reaſon of ſundry exchaunges, made betwene his maiestie, and diuers bys louinge ſubiectes, of diuers manours, landes, tenementes, poſſeſſions, and hereditamentes, lately belonging to the ſame, and the manours, landes, tenementes, poſſeſſions and hereditamentes, beyng aſſured to his highneſſe, in recompence of the ſaide exchaunges, be not annexed vnto his ſaide duchy, but been in the order and goneruaunce of his courtres appointed for the ſame manours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, ſo by his highneſſe taken and receiued in exchaunge: and where his maiestie is now lawfully ſeiſed in his demeane, as of fee, of and in the lordſhip and manour of Rippon, in the countie of yorke, with al the manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, membes, profites and commodities to the ſame belonging, or in any wiſe reputed, vſed or taken, as parte, parcell, or membe of the ſame. And of all roialties, liberties, fraunchiſes, iuriſdictions, and preeminences, whatſoeuer they be there vſed, or in any wiſe to be exerciſed, in, vpon, or by reaſon of the ſame lordſhip or anye parte or parcell thereof: all whiche were late of the poſſeſſions, of the moſte reuerende father in god, Robert archebiſhop of yorke, or of his late predeceſſour, as parcel of the poſſeſſions, belonging to the archbiſhoprike of yorke: and where as alſo the ſame our ſaide ſoueraigne lord, is now lawfully ſeiſed in his demeane, as of fee, of, and in one parcell of lande, called the Wiacharie, conteynynge by eſtimaciõ .lx. acres more or leſſe, ſet, lyng and beyng within the lymittes and boundes of the foreſte of Alhedoune, in the countie of Suſſer: whiche parcell of lande, was late parcell of the poſſeſſions, of the late diſſolued priorie or monaſterie of Wichellame, in the ſayde countie of Suſſer: and where alſo the kinges highneſſe is ſeiſed of, and in diuers parkes as in the right of his ſaide Duchie, and as parcell of the poſſeſſions, belonging to the ſame: And alſo of, and in diuers and ſundry parcelles of landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, lyng within the precincte, circuite and compaſſe of the ſayde parkes, whiche at thys preſente are not parcell of the ſayde Duchie, ne of the poſſeſſions belonging to the ſame: his highneſſe myndynge and intending the preſeruacion, aduauncement, maintenaunce and continuance of the aunciente and honorable eſtate of his ſaide Duchy, is fully determined, reſolued, pleaſed and contented, to aſſigne the ſaide manour of Rippon, and all the other premiſſes, to the ſaide Duchy. wherfore bee it enacted

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enacted by the kinges highnes, with the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and of the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same: that the saide lordship and manour of Rippon, in the saide countie of Yorke, and all maners, landes, tenementes, possessions, hereditamētes, membres, profittes and commodities, belonging to the same, or in any wise reputed, vled, or taken as parte, parcell, or membre of the saide manour of Rippon: and all roialties, liberties, franchises, iurisdiccions and preeminences, what so ever they be there vled, or in any wise to be vled, taken, or exercised, in, vpon or by reason of the same lordship, and manour of Rippon, and other the premises, or, in, vpon, by reason of anye parte or parcell thereof, whiche were late of the possessions of the saide archebishoppe of Yorke, or of his saide pdecessours, as parcell of the possessions of the saide archebishopricke: and also the said parcell of lande, called the Waccharie, lyng and beyng, within the limittes and boundes, of the saide foreste of Aldoune, in the saide countie of Shusser, with the appurtenaunces: and all the landes, tenementes, possessions, & hereditamentes, whiche his highnes now hath in possession, reuercion, remainder, service, or in vse of any estate of inheritance, not beyng parcell of the possession, belonging to the sayde Duchye, and which ben lyng or beyng, within the pectincte, circuite or compass of any of the said parces, as wholy and entierly, and in as ample & large maner and fourme, and with the same and like comodities, roialties, franchises, liberties, privileges, preeminences, and iurisdiccions, as they came to the handes and possession of the same our soueraigne lord the kinge, or to any other, to his highnes vse and behoufe, and in as ample and large maner, forme and condicion as they now be, or owen to be in his maiesties handes and possession, be, and shal from henceforth, be vnited and annexed vnto his said Duchy of Lancastre, and to be adingred deemed and taken for, as parcell and membre of the said Duchy of Lancastre, and shalbe of the same nature, kinde, qualitie and condicion, to all intentes, constructions and purposes, as other the auncient possessions of the saide Duchie, lyng and beyng out of the countie palantine of Lancastre, be, and ought to be, and shalbe in the lettyng, lettyng, order, rule, suruey, receypte, and gouernance of the Chauncellour, counsaile and officers of the sayde Duchy of Lancastre, for the time beyng, for evermore, in like, and the same maner and fourme, to all intentes and purposes, as other the saide auncient possessions, of, or belonging to the same Duchy, lyng and beyng, out of the saide countie palantine, now bene, haue bene, or owen to be: and that aswell the sayde lordship and maner of Rippon, and thother premises as all other Lordshippes, manours, landes, tenementes, possessions, add hereditamentes, which haue ben heretofore, by our said soueraigne lord the king, or by any of his most noble progenitors, annexed, vnited, assigned, or appointed, to the said Duchie, by act of parliament, byll assigned, letters patentes, or other lawefull meanes, which be not as yet giuen, graunted, solde, or exchanged

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exchaunged by the kynges highnesse, or anye of hys noble progenitours, or
otherwise seuered or deuided from the sayde Duchye, and beene let, ly-
inge and being, out of the sayde countie palantyne of Lancastre. And all
and singuler giftes, grauntes, leales, letters patentes and wryttinges ther
of, or of any parcell therof to bee made by the kynges highnes, his heires,
or successours, shall for evermore passe, and bee made vnder the seale of
the saide Duchye, and not vnder any other seale, or otherwise, and with the
like and the same livery of seison, attornementes, ceremonies, orders and
circumstances in the lawe, and in the same maner and forme, as other the
auncient possessions of the sayde Duchie, lying and beinge out of the sayde
countie palantyne of Lancastre, & the letters patentes, charters and wryt-
tinges therof heretofore made, haue vled and ought to be made & passed,
and not otherwise, nor in anye other maner or fourme anye acte of parla-
ment made concerning the establishment and erection of the courte of the
augmentacions, of the reuenues of the kynges crowne or concerninge in
any wise the said courte of augmentacions or any landes, tenementes or
hereditamentes, liberties, iurisdiction or preeminences or other thinge
whatsoever limited or appointed to be in the order suruey, gouernaunce
or disposition of the same courte of augmentacions or any lawe, acte, sta-
tute, vsage or custome to the contrary hereof, in any wise not withstanding.
And that aswell all and singuler lordshippes manours landes tenemen-
tes possessions & hereditamentes, whiche by thys acte be annexed, vnyted,
assigned and appoynted to the saide Duchy, as also all other manours lan-
des tenementes possessions and hereditamentes whiche at any time here-
tofore haue ben, by our saide soueraigne lord the kynges highnes or by
any of his most noble progenitours, annexed, vnyted, assigned, or appoynt-
ed to the saide Duchy, by act of parliament, bill assigned, letters patentes
or other lawfull meanes, wherof the officer and minister of the said Duchy
or any of them done at this day, receiue the profittes to the kynges vse,
and whiche be not as yet genen, graunted, bargained, solde, exchaunged,
or otherwise put away, deuided or seuered from the sayd Duchye and be-
yng let, lying and beinge with in the sayde countie palantyne of Lanca-
stre. And all and singuler giftes, grauntes, letters patentes and wryttinges
therof or of any parte or parcell therof, to be made by the kynges highnes,
hys heires or successours, shall for evermore passe, and bee made vnder
the seale of the countie palantyne of Lancastre, and not vnder, or by any
other seale, or otherwise, and with the like & the same orders, ceremonies
and circumstances in the lawe, and in the same maner and forme, as other
the auncient possessions of the said Duchy, lying & beinge within the saide
countie palantyne of Lancastre, hath ben had, vled & made, and the letters
patentes, charters and wryttinges therof, heretofore made, haue vled and
owen to be passed and made, and not otherwise, nor in any other maner or
fourme. And that as well al and singuler the said manours, landes, tene-
mentes and other the premisseg nowe annexed and assigned to the sayde
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Duchie by thys acte, as all other manours, landes, tenementes, and possessions heretofore assigned, by our soueraigne lord, or by any of hys most noble progenitours, to the said Duchie, wherof the officer and minister of the said Duchie, or anye of them, receiued the profyttes at this day, to þ kynges graces vse, lyng, or beyng within the said countie palantyne of Lancastre, and beyng not sold, graunted, bargained, giuen, erchaunged or otherwise departed fro, diuided, or serued from the sayd countye palantyne shalbe of the same nature, qualitie and condicion, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes in the lawe, as other the auncient possessions of the sayde Duchie, lyng or beeynge wythin the sayde countye palantyne of Lancastre, ben, owne, and haue vsed to bee: any law, act, statute, custome or blage, to the contrarie therof in any wise not withstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all the rentes, reuenues, issues and profittes, which hath risen, comen and growne of the sayd manour or lordship of Rippon, and of all other manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, membres, profittes, and commodities to the same belonging, or in any wise reputed, taken or vsed, as parte, parcell, or membre of the same. And of all liberties, fraunchises, iurisdiccions, and preheminences, vsed or exercised, in, vpon or by reason of the same, or anye parte therof, sythen suche time as the inheritance of the same, first came to the kynges handes or possession, shalbe taken, receiued, collected, and accounted by the officers and ministers of the sayde Duchie, in suche manner and fourme, as other rentes, reuenues, and profittes of other landes, tenementes and hereditamentes, belonging to the said Duchie, hath vsed to be taken, receiued, collected and accounted for: any lawe, statute, blage or custome, to the contrary therof in any wise not withstanding.

¶ And where the reuerende father in god, the archebischop of yorke, now beyng for, and in consideration of diuers landes, tenementes, rectories, and other hereditamentes, geuen, graunted, and assured, by the kynges highnes, to the said archebischoppe and hys successours archebischoppes of Yorke, and for diuers other good considerations and intentes, hath by his indenture, entolled of recorde, bargayned, solde giuen and graunted to the kynges highnesse, the sayde manour of Rippon, with the appurtenances, and the manours of Sharrowe, Stanley, Ripponholme, Colefakke, Hil, Penycroft, Casteldike, Whiterhyffe, Thorpe, Monketon, Thonston, Netherdale, Bishopside, Shornborne, Wilford, Bishopplatch, Patrington, Charethorpe, Fismake, Walgarth, Cloughton, Metwang, Napton, Wilton, Epi, Copeliff, Thirsk, Akenby, Grischwate, Dufford, Ketton, Newbie, Skipton, Coston, Northbie, Whaplowe, Haske, Uplethent, Nisfen, Dalton, Crahal, Cereleton, Herā, Crington, Walle, Astone, Halldone, Berwike, Grouerige, Keneleg, Cresswent, Cadden, Anibiaros, Westalland, Newland, Scroby, Rauenesheld, Anome, Alsham, Sutton, Northfok, Chuchebourne, Huchilcote, Roxton, Shurdington, Woldcobe, Cherney, Copron, Wdington & Gloucester withall and singular theyr membres

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membrs and appurtenaunces, in the severall counties of Yorke, Northumb. Gloucester, and in the countie of the cite of Gloucester, and diuers other manours, lands, tenementes, aduousons, patronages, giftes, and nominacions of hospitalles, prebendes, churches, chauntries, freechapels, and other spirituall promotions, and of diuers royalties, iurisdictiones, prebeminences, fraunchises, libertyes, and other hereditamentes, with their membrs and appurtenaunces. All whiche manours, landes, tenementes, and the other premisses, did lately belonge to the sayde Archbischoppike of Yorke: to haue and to holde the same to the kynges highnes hys heires and successours for ever, as by the same indenture, bearinge date the vi. day of february, in the xxxvi. yere of the kynges most gracious reygne, it doth more plainly appeare.

¶ And to the entente that the kynges highnes may be perfectly assured, of all and singular the said manours, landes, tenementes, possessions and other premisses, so assigned to hys highnes, by the sayde indenture: Be it ordeyned, enacted and established, by the kyng our soueraygne lord, with the assent of the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in thys present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that the kynges highnes, hys heires and successours, shall haue holde and enioy the said manour of Rippon, and all the said manours, meles, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuerfions, seruices, royalties, libertyes, fraunchises, iurisdictiones, preeminences, and other hereditamentes, with all and singular the appurtenaunces, and al other manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, beyng so geuen, graunted, limytted or appoynted to the kynges highnes by the said indenture, cleerly and freely, in what countrey or places so ever they ben let, lying or being, aswell against the sayde Archbischop and hys successours, as against the Deane and chapter of the cathedrall church of Yorke, and their successours, and euerye of them, by what name or names, of incorporacions they bee incorporate, had, called, or reputed: any law, statute custome, or other thing, to the contrarye hereof had or made, not withstandinge.

¶ And to here also the reverende father in god, Thomas archbischoppe of caunturburie and primate of England, by diuers sufficiente deedes and good coueiances, confirmed by the deane and chapitre of the Cathedral and metropolitall church of Chysshurch of Canterbury, aswell in consideration of diuers other manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, to him and his successours, to bee geuen and graunted by our said soueraygne lord, as for other good considerations, hath geuen & graunted to our said soueraygne lord, the manours of Charyng and Laiborne and the castell of Laiborne, betwix of frankpledge at Calehill, to be holden of all the tenauntes and resiauntes within the said manour of Charynge, together with thaduousons and patronages of the rectories of churches of charyng Laiborne, and Ridley, withall their rightes, membrs & appurtenances in the countie of Kent; And the manours of Hayshefelde, other-
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with called Maighfeild, and the parkes of Maighfeild and francheham, the rectories of Maighfeild and wadehurst, together with the advowsons and patronages of the vicarages of Maighfeild and wadehurst, with all their rightes, membres and appurtenaunces, in the countie of Suffe. And the manours of Harrow, otherwile called harow on the hill, woodhal, Heese, otherwile called Hais, hegestone otherwile called Heston, and Sudbury, the parke called Dinnor parke, the advowson and patronage of the parsonage and vicarage of the church of Heale, with all their rightes membres and appurtenaunces in the countie of Midd. And the manour of Tryng, and the advowson and patronage of the parsonage and rectory of the church of Tryng, with all their rightes membres and appurtenaunces in the countie of Hertforde: and also the advowson and patronage of the parsonage and church of Halton, in the countie of Buck. And also all other his manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, reversions, services, courtes, leetes, viewes of frankpledge, rightes, franchises, liberties, privileges, profittes, commodites, and other hereditamentes in Charyng and Laiborne in the said countie of Kent, and in Maighfeild, Maighfeilde, wadehurst, woodhurst, a Lamberhurst in the said countie of Suffe: and in Harrow, woodhall, Heese, Hegeston, Sudbury in the saide countie of Midd. and in Tryng, in the said countie of Hertforde. To have and to holde the said manours, and all other the premises, to our said souveraigne lord, his heires and successours for ever: Excepte and reserved to the said archbishoppe and his successours, all fines and amerciamentes, of all the tenants and reiauntes, within the precincte of the saide leete or viewe of frankpledge at calehill, out of the saide manour of Charyng.

For his highnesse further and more perfecte assurance, to be had and made, of and in the said manours, and other the premises: Be it enacted by authoritie afove saide, that the kinges highnes, our saide souveraigne lord, his heires and successours, shall have holde and enjoye the saide manours of Charyng and Laiborne, the castell of Laiborne, betwe of frankpledge at Calehill, to bee holden of all tenants and reiauntes within the saide manour of Charyng, and the advowsons and patronages of the rectories and churches of Charinge, Laiborne and Ridley, in the said countie of Kent. And the saide manours of Maighfeild, otherwile called Maighfeild, the parkes of Maighfeild and Frankham, the rectories of Maighfeild and woodhurst, the advowsons and patronages of the vicarages of Maighfeild and wadehurst, in the saide countie of Suffe: And the saide manours of Harrow, woodhall, Heese, Hegeston, Sudbury, the parke called Dinnor parke, the advowson and patronage of the parsonage and vicarage of the church of Heale, in the saide countie of Midd. The manour of Tryng, the advowson and patronage of the parsonage and rectory of the church of Tryng, in the saide countie of Hertforde: the advowson and patronage of the parsonage and church of Halton, in the saide countie of Buck, with all their rightes, membres, liberties, franchises, privileges, profittes, commodites, and other hereditamentes in Charyng and Laiborne in the said countie of Kent, and in Maighfeild, Maighfeilde, wadehurst, woodhurst, a Lamberhurst in the said countie of Suffe: and in Harrow, woodhall, Heese, Hegeston, Sudbury in the saide countie of Midd. and in Tryng, in the said countie of Hertforde.

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besties, franchises, prebeminences, and other hereditamentes what so ever, to the saide manours, rectories, and other the premises, or to any of them belonging, or that have bene accepted, repined or taken, as parte, parcell or membre of the saide manours, rectories, or other the premises, or of any of them, or with the same, or any of them, dimised, letten, or occupied, in what countie or places so ever they, or any of them bee situate, lying or being: And all other the saide manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuerfions, seruices, courtes, ketes, Welthoes of frankpledge, rightes, franchises, Liberties, priuileges, profittes, commodities, and other hereditamentes in Charinge and Lamborne, in the saide countie of Kent, excepte before excepted. And in Walsleib, Woughfeild, Wadesturst Woodhurst and Lamberhurst in the saide countie of Sussex; and in Harrowe, Harrowe on the hill, Woodhall, Hese, Hals, Heggston, Henson and Sudbury in the saide countie of Midd. and in Tryng in the saide countie of Hertforde, aswell against the said archbishop and his successors, as against the deane and chapter of the saide cathedral and metropolitall church of canturbury, and their successors, and euery of them, by what name or names, or corporations they be incorporated, had, called or reputed: any lawe, statute, custome or other thing to the contrary herof had or made not withstanding.

¶ And where the reuerende father in God, Edmond now bishop of London, for certaine good recompences and considerations, by his dede dated the thirde daye of Septembre, in the .xxvii. yere of the kinges majesties reigne, hath bargained solde, given and graunted to the kinges highnes, the manours of Chelmesford and Crondon, and the parke of Crondon, with all and singuler their and euery their membres, rightes & appurtenaunces, let lying and being in the countie of Essex, and all suche landes, tenementes, rentes, seruices & hereditamentes, as be or haue bene reputed, taken knowne or accepted as parte parcell or membre of anye of the said manours, parkes, and the other premises: to haue and to holde to the kinges highnes, his heires & successors for ever, as by the same dede more at large it may and doeth appere. By reason of which saide bargain, the kinges highnesse was seised of the said manours, and the other premises in his demerme as of fee: And the kinges highnesse so being seised, for good considerations his grace moving, hath by his letters pattentes, dated the seconde day of October, in the said .xxvii. yere of his graces reigne given and graunted to his trustie counsellour, sir William Peter knight, the saide manour of Crondon, and the saide parke of Crondon, with all the membres, rightes and appurtenaunces, to haue and to holde the saide manour and parke of Crondon, with the membres rightes and appurtenaunces therunto belonging to the said sir William Peter, his heires and assignes to the vie of the said sir William Peter, his heyres and assignes, to hold of the kinges highnesse, by the seruice of the fortieth parte of a knightes fee, and yelding and payng to his highnesse, hys belkes and successors

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successours yerely in the court of augmentacions of the reuenues of hys crowne. xvii. s. iiii. d. in the name of the tenthes, as by the same letters patentis more at large it may and doth appere.

¶ And for the more suertie and sure makinge of the premisles, Be it ordeyned and enacted by the kyng our soueraigne lord with the assent of the lordes spirituell and temporall, and of the commons in this presente parliamente assembled, and by thauthortie of the same, that the kynges highnesse, his heires and successours, shall haue hold and enioy for ever, the saide manour of Chelnessford, with all the membres ryghtes and appurtenaunces to the same belonging. And all such landes tenementes and hereditamentes, as be reputed taken knownt or accepted, as parte parcell or membre of the same manour of Chelnessforde.

¶ And be it further enacted by the same authortie, that the sayde Symon Wylliam Peter, hys heires and assignes, shall haue holde and enioy for ever the saide manoure of Crondon, and the saide parke of Crondon with all the membres ryghtes and appurtenances to the same manour and parke belongyng or apperteyning: and all suche landes tenementes and hereditamentes as be reputed taken knownt or accepted as parte parcell or membre of the same manour and parke of Crondon. Saying to all and euery person and persons, bodieys polittike and copporate, and to their heires and successours, and to the heires and successours of euery of them, other then to the saide Robarte archbishop of yorke, and hys successours, and the saide Deane and chapter of the cathedrall church of yorke and their successours: and the saide archbishop of Canterbury, and his successours, and the saide deane and chapter of the sayde Cathedrall church of Canterbury, and their successours, and the sayde bishop of London, and his successours, and the deane and chappiter of the cathedrall church of saynte Paule in London, and their successours, and the successours of euery of them, al such right, title, clayme, interest, possessiō, rentes, charges, annuities, commons, leases, fermes, offices, fees, couenantes, condicions, bargains grauntes, woodsales, aduantages, and propytes, which they or any of them haue claime vse or demaund, or ought maye or might haue had bled, claymed, or demaunded, in to vpon or out of anye the premisles, or into vpon or out of anye part or parcell therof in suche and the same like maner forme and condicion, to all intentes and purposes, as if this acte had neuer bine had or made.

¶ Grouped alwaye and be it enacted by thauthortie aforesaid, that all the saide manours, landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, in this present acte mencioned, not beyng expressly appoynted to the order, and suruey of the said court of the said duchy shall be and continue within the onely suruey order and rule of the kinges highnes court of the Augmentacions of the reuenues of his graces crowne: any thinge in this acte to the contrary therof notwithstanding.

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Provided alway and be it enacted by the sayde auctorite, that if anye rentes reuenues or profittes heretofore payed, payable or leuiable for or out of any honours manours landes tenementes or other hereditamentes beinge now, or that hereafter shalbe in the suruey of any one of the courttes of the eschequer, generall surueiours wardes and leueries, duchy of Lancastre, or the augmentacions of the reuenues of the kinges crowne, to or by reason of any honours manours landes tenementes or hereditamentes, beinge now or that hereafter shalbee in the order suruei or gouernatunet of any of the saide courttes, that everye suche rente reuenues and profittes duringe the unitie of the possession therof in the kinges hands: and so longe as the same shall continue and be in the possession and seison of our said soveraigne lord, shall be payed by the officers of the sayde courtte, where the saide honours manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes, before they cam to the kinges possession, were charged with any such rentes reuenues or profittes, to the officers bailiffes and other ministers of the sayde courtte, hauinge the suruey of any sube honours manours landes tenementes or other hereditamentes, where vnto any such rentes reuenues or profittes, before the sayde unitie of possession thereof in the kynges maiestie were payed or leuiable: any law statute or other thing to the contrary notwithstandinge.

In acte that doctours of ciuill lawe, beinge married, make exercise ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, Cap. vii.

A moste humble wise shew and declare vnto your highnesse, your moste faithfull humble and obedient subiectes the lordes spiritual and temporall and the commons of this present parliament assembled, that where your moste roial maiestie is, and hath alwaies iustly ben by the word of God supreme heade in earth of the church of England and hath full power and auctoritie: to correcte punish and repress al manner of heresies, errours, vices, sinnes, abuses, idolatries, hypocrites, and superstitions, sprongen and growinge within the same, and to exercise all other maner of iurisdiction commonly called ecclesiasticall iurisdiction. Neuerthelesse the bishop of Rome and his adherentes, mindinge vtterlye as muche as in him laye to abolishe, obscure, and delete suche power, given by god to the princes of the earth, whereby they mighte gather and get to them selues the gouernement and rule of the woorld, haue in their counsailes and synodes prouinciall made ordeined and established, and decreed diuers ordinances and constitucions, that no laye, or married man should or might exercise or occupie any iurisdiction ecclesiasticall nor should be any iudge or register in any courtte, commonly called ecclesiasticall courtte lest their false and vsurped power, which they pretended and went aboute to haue in christes church, should decay, waie blye, and of no reputacion, as

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as by the sayde countsaies and constitutions provinciall appereth: which standyng and remainyng in their effecte, not abolished by your graces lawes, did sounde to appere to make greatly for the sayde blurped power of the said bishop of Rome, and to be directly repugnaunt to your maiestie of supreme head of the church and prerogative royall, your grace beyng a lay man. And all be it the sayde decrees, ordinaunces and constitutions by a statute made in the .xxv. yere of your most noble raigne, be utterly abolished, frustrate, and of non effecte, yet because the contrarie therunto is not bled nor put in practyse by the archebyschoppes byschoopes, archdeacons and other ecclesiasticall persons, who have no maner of iurisdiction ecclesiasticall, but by, vnder, and from youre royall maiesty, it addeth or at the leaste maye geue occasion to some euill disposed persons, thyncke and litle to regarde the procedynges and censures ecclesiasticall made by youre highnesse and your vicegerent, officials, commissaries, iudges, and visitatois, beinge also laye and married men, to be of litle or non effect or force, wherby the people gathereth hart and presumption to do euill, and not to haue suche reuerence to youre most godly Iniunctions and procedynges, as becommeth them. But for as muche as your maiesty, is the onely and vndoubtedly supreme heade of the church of Englande and also of Irelande, to whom by holy scripture all auctoritie and power is wholly geuen to here and determine all manner causes ecclesiasticall, and to correct vice and synne what so ever, and to all suche persons as your maiesty shall appoynte there vnto: That in consideration theof, as well for the instruction of ignorant persons, as also to auoide the occasion of the opinion aforesayde, and settinge forth of youre prerogative royall and supremacy. It maie therfore please your highnesse, that it maie be ordeyned and enacted by auctoritie of this presente parliament, that all and singular persons, as well lay as those that now be married or hereafter shall be married, beinge doctours of the ciuill lawe, lawefully create and made in any vniuersitie, whiche shall be made, ordeyned constituted and deputed to be any Chancelour, vicar generall, commissarie, officiall, Scribe or register by your maiesty or anye of your heires or successours to be anye archebyschoppe bishop archdeacon or other person what soeuer, hauing auctoritie vnder your maiesty your heires and successours to make any chancelour, vicar generall, commissarie officiall, or register, maie lawfully execute and exercise all maner of iurisdiction commonly called ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, and all censures and coersions appertaininge or in anye wyse belonnyngs vnto the same, albeit such person or persones be laye married, or unmarried, so that they bee doctours of the ciuill lawe, as is aforesayde and lawe, constitution, or ordinaunce to the contrarie notwithstanding.

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An act for the erection of. 4. honours, w^{estm}. Kingstone bp-
pon Hull, sainte Oithes, and Donington. Cap. xviii.



Or diuers sundrye bigente and necessarye causes and
consideracions, the kinges maiestye specialllye mouinge, be
it enacted ordeined and established by the kinge our soue-
raigne lord, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and
temporall, and the commons in this presente parliamente
assembled, and by thaurtoritie of the same. That hys high-
nes, duringe his naturall life, which almightie god long to preserue, shall
haue full power and auctoritie from time to time, in these places hereaf-
ter folowinge, to erecte ordeigne and make, by his maiesties toynte or se-
uerall letters patentes vnder the greate seale and proclamacions, as well
the seuerall honours hereafter ensuinge. That is to saye within his gra-
ces cite of w^{estm}. one honour, and at his highnes toune of Kingston bp-
pon Hull, in the countie of hull one other honour, at his castell of Do-
nington in the countie of Berk. the thirde honour: and at sainte Oithes
in the countie of Estet, the fourth honour, as also suche and so manye o-
ther honours, in anye other place and places within this realme of En-
glande and Wales, or any other his graces dominions, as to his excellent
wisedomie shall be thought mete and conueniente: And that his highnes
shall also haue full power and auctoritie, by vertue of this acte, from time
to time, duringe his highnes naturall lyfe, by anye suche letters patentes
and proclamacions, to preserue assigne and appointe, what liues places
structures and buyldinges, wherof hys highnesse is or shall bee seased
of one state of inheritance, shall be taken and adindged the cheife princi-
pall and capitall parte and place of the saide honours to be erected, and
of euerye of them, and to write and annere to euerye of the saide honours
so to bee erected or made, all and singulare suche hundres forestes ma-
nours chailes parkes sites of monasteries graunges landes tenementes
rentes reuerfions seruices free warren fraunchises touneshippes hamlet-
tes villages liberties, and all other suche hereditamentes profittes and
commodities, lying or beyng in any place w^{ithin} thys realme of England
wherof his grace is or shall be then seased of one place of inheritance, as
shall be contened within the limites and boundes to be declared speci-
fied or expessed in anye suche letters patentes and proclamacions. And
that euerye of the saide capitall partes and places, as is aforesayde, to bee
assigned and appointed, together with the hundres forestes manours
parkes chailes sites of monasteries graunges landes tenementes rentes re-
uerfions seruices fraunchises liberties and all other hereditamentes to
them, as is abone mencioned, to be writted and annexed, immediately as-
ter suche proclamation made in the shyre, where the capitall parte or place
of anye suche honour or honours shall lye or be, shall from henseforth be
called or named an honour and by suche name and w^{ith}th suche addicion or
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additions, as in the same Letters Patentes, and proclamacions shall by the kinges highnesse be expressed.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that where the kinges highnesse is seised of one estate of inheritance of and in his graces honour and castle of Windsor, in the countie of Berk. with all hys rightes, members and appurtenaunces, and of, and in all that hys graces honour of Bealeu, in the countie of Essex, with all and singular hys rightes, members and appurtenaunces: that hys highnesse shall haue full power and auctoritie, by vertue of this acte, aswell to vnite, knytte and annexe to either of the said honoures of Windsor & Bealeu, as to any other honour within this his graces realme of Englande, by anye suche letters Patentes and proclamacions, suche and so manye hundredes, Forrestes, Manours, Parkes, Chaces, towneshippes, villages, hamlettes, sites of monasteries, granges, landes, tenementes, reuenues, rentes, reuercions, seruices, free warren, fraunchises, liberties & all such hereditamentes, profits and commodities, lienge or beinge in anie place or places within this realme of Englande, wherof his highnesse is or then shall be seised of one estate of inheritance, as shall be conteyned within the limites or boundes to be declared, especified or expressed in anye suche Letters Patentes and proclamacions thereof hereafter to be had or made. And that the same hundredes, Forrestes, manours, parkes, chaces, towneshippes, villages, hamlettes, sites of monasteries, granges, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuercions, seruices, free warren, fraunchises, liberties and euerye of theim, and all and singular other hereditamentes, profits and commodities, so to be vnited and annexed to anie of the saide honours of Windsor, or Bealeu, or to anie other honour, wherof the kinges highnesse is now seised of estate of inheritance, or to anie honour hereafter to be erected, at Westminster Kingstone vpon Hulle, Donington, and sainte Olithes, or in anie other place or places within this realme of Englande, and other the kinges dominions, or to any of theim by his highnesse, in maner and fourme aforesaide, shall immediatly after suche letters patentes and proclamacions thereof made, be demed adiudged and taken, and also from henceforth shall be parte, parcell and members of the same honour wherunto thei shall be so assigned, annexed and vnited. And that all and singular manours parkes, chaces, sites of monasteries, granges, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuercions, seruices, free warren, fraunchises, liberties and euerye of theim, lieng or beinge in anie conne, parishe or hamlette, which shal be within the limites to be conteined in anye such letters patentes and proclamacions, wherof and the whiche the kinge our soueraigne lord, his heires or successors shall be at anie time hereafter seised of anye estate of inheritance by descent from anie of the kinges graces noble progenitours, or by escheit or other wise by forfaiture, comminge to the handes of hys highnesse, hys heires or successors, shall from time to time, as they or anie of them shall so come to the handes and possessions of his highnesse, his heires or successors

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lours, be vnited, annexed, deemed and adiudged to all intentes and purposes, as parte, parcell and membre of suche and the same of the sayde honours, within whose limites and boundes the same shall ly and be.

¶ And further bee it enacted by auctoritie aforesaide, that all and singular the tenautes, as well freeholders as copyholders, as other, and all and singular persons, whiche owe suite to any of the sayde manours, or anye Lete, Laudaie, or Court to be holden within the precincte of anye of them, and the heires, successours and assignes of every of the sayde Tenantes, shall doe their duties, seruices and customes, and paie their rentes to the said lordlye manours, and in suche time as they did or ought to do, before the making of this present acte. And that the said tenants and suiters and every of them, or the heires, successours and assignes of them, or anye of them at anye tyme hereafter, shall not bee charged or chargeable, to, or with any other seruices, suites, customes, rentes or other charges, nor to be compelled to do, or paie the same, ne in anye other place or places: nor any of the severall tenures, charged, altered, or charged, otherwise then they were, or oughte to doe, before the making of this acte: any thing therein contained, the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ Provided also, that this acte, or any thing therein contained, shall not be prejudiciall or hurtfull, to anye person or persones, their heires, executours, successours, or assignes, for any leases, demises, grauntes or couenauntes heretofore had made, or graunted to them, or any of them, of the sayde manours and other the premises, or any parte or parcell therof, or of any Leases, grauntes, or couenauntes hereafter to be made or graunted, of any of the sayde Manoures, landes, tenementes and other the premises, were the kinges highnes, his heires or successours, shall hereafter be seased of one estate of inheritance, by purchase, forfeiture, escheate, or otherwise (as is aforesaide) lienge and being within anye the limites and boundes, to bee assigned and appoynted, as is aforesaide, by the owners of the sayde Manoures, landes, tenementes, and other the premises, or any parte or parcell thereof, or by anye of their auncelours, or predecessours, or by any other person or persones, lawefullie authorized by them, or anye of them, for anye demise, lease, or graunte thereof so made, or to be made: Any thing in this acte to the contrarie contained, notwithstanding.

¶ Furthermore, alwaies sauinge as well to the Maior and Burgeses of Kingston vpon Hulle, aforesaide, as also to every other person and persones, bodies politique & corporate, their heires, successours, executours and assignes, other then suche bodies politique and corporate, and suche other persones as were, or hereafter shall be parties and privies to the bargain, sales, giftes or grauntes or forfeitures of the sayde manoures and other the premises or any parte thereof and their wiues being examined of the same according to the lawes of the realme their heires and successours and the heires and successours of every of them, all such right, title, use

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ble, interest, possessions, lease, leases, ferme, fermes, for ferme of life, lives, or peres, or otherwise, and al graunters, liberties, franchises, privileges, jurisdictions, reities, charges, profits, covenantes, and all and euerye of ther commoditie, or commodities, whiche then or any of the haue, might or ought to haue; or hereafter shal or should haue, of us, or to the premises, or any parte or parcell of the, in suche maner and forme, as though theys had, by any thing therein conserued, to the contrary therof, had neuer bene had nor made: any thing in this present act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Be it also further enarged by the auctorite aforesayde, that the sayde honour of Windesore, and the sayde honour, which the kynges maiestie entended to make at Wyndesore, and all the manours, landes, tenementes, and other the premises, which be, or at any time hereafter, by any such letters, patents and proclamacions, shal be made parte, parcell, or the myght of the said honour of Wyndesore, and sainte Wistons, or of either of them, shall from hence forth be in the order suruey rule and gouernance of the countes of the kynges general surueours, and to be graunted, let and set to ferme, by the officers and ministers of the same court, in suche maner and forme, as other manours, landes, tenementes, appointed to the same court bene, or ought to be letten or graunted. And that all the rents, reuerendies, issues and profits, commynge and growyng within the said honours of Wyndesore and sainte Wistons, and euerye parte therof, shall be taken and receiued to the kynges yle, by the ministers and officers of the same court, in suche maner and forme as is used and had, of other manours, landes, tenementes or hereditamentes, committed to the order suruey and gouernance of the said court of general surueours: any act, statute, ordinance, custome or vse, heretofore had, made, or used to the contrary therof not withstanding. And that the said honour of Beale, and the said honours, which the kynges highnes here after shall, by the grace of god, erect or make, at, or within the said cite of Westminster, Kingston upon Hull, and Berkington, and all the manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, and other the premises about reherched, whiche now be, or at any time hereafter shal be made parte and parcell of them, or anye of them, shall from hence forth be in the order suruey rule and gouernance of the Court of augmentacions of our sayde soueraigne lord the kynges crowne, and to be graunted, lette and sette to ferme, by the officers and ministers of the same court, in suche maner and forme, as other manours, landes and tenementes, appointed to the same court bene, or ought to be letten or graunted. And that all the fermes, issues, reuenues and profits, commynge and growyng upon the same manours, and of euerye parte of them, and euerye of them, shall be taken and receiued to the kynges yle, by the ministers and officers of the same court of Augmentacions, in such maner and forme as is used and had of other manours, landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, committed to the order suruey, and gouernance of the said court of Augmentacions,

clons: anye acte, statute, ordinaunce, custome, or use, heretofore had, made or used to the contrary therof not withstanding.

¶ And that eny other honour, whiche shall be by the kynges highnesse at any tyme hereafter during his life, erected and made, or enlarged augmented or increased, by building or annexing any manours, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes vnto anye suche honour (as is abovesaide) in anye other place then is aboue particularye by name expresse, and all and singular manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes and other the premises aboue reherced, whiche at anye tyme hereafter shalbe made parte and partell of anye suche honour, shall from henceforth be in the order suruey rule and gouernance of suche court of the kynges highnesse, as the capitall and principall parte of the same honour, shall be in rule suruey and gouernance of, at the tyme of anye such erection, and makinge of the same, or building or annexing of the landes or possessions, to anye of the sayde honours, and to be graunted, let, and set to ferme, and the profites, issues, and reuenues thereof receiued and answered, by the officers and ministers of the same court, in suche maner and fourme, as other manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, appoynted to the same court, bene or ought to be,

¶ Provided also, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaide, that this acte, nor anye thinge therein contained, bee in anye wise perniciosa, or hurtfull to the Justices, Wardens, Sherwardes, lieutenantes, clerkes of the Swannie mores of anye forestes, parkes or chales, contained in this acte, or to be contained in anye of the said letters patentes and proclamacions for or concerning anye of these offices, powers or aucthorities, but onely for and concerning surueying of wood and woodsaies, to bee had and made in anye the said forestes, parkes and chales.

¶ And it is further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that the master of the woodes or other officers of the same court, shall yearly pay, or cause to be payed of suche summes of money, as shal yearly arise and come of the woodsaies, to be made of, or in the said parkes, forestes and chales aforesaid, all and all maner fees and wages, as of olde tyme hath bene accustomed to be payed for the exercising of anye office within the sayde parkes, forestes chales, according to a certificate by writing, therof to bee made vnto the said master of the woodes, by, and from the iustices of the forestes or anye of them, or anye their deputie or deputies, in the same office sealed and subscribed by them or anye of them.

¶ And it is also enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that the said master of the woodes, for the tyme being, shall make paymente of all and all maner of reparacions nedefull to be doyn, in, or vpon anye pale, ryle, and lodge within anye of the said parkes, forestes and chales, and assigne timber for the same, vpon any request therof to be made in writinge, by and from anye of the said Justices of forestes: and the said master of the woodes

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woodes shall allow to all maner of fowell and broole to be spent and occupied within the saide forestes and chales, as it hath ben of olde there bled and accustomed.

And it is also provided and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that the maister of the woodes shall not make any woodsales within the parkes chales and forestes aforesaide or any of them, but by the assent of the iustices of the forestes for the time being, within whose auctoritie suche forestes chales and parkes bene: Any thing in this acte contained to the contrarie notwithstanding.

An acte that fines taken in the countie palantine of Lancastre, shall be of like force, as fines knowledged before Iustices of the common place. Cap. xix.



As much as divers good and beneficiall estatutes for the commodity of the kinges subiectes within this realme, have heretofore bene made, by auctoritie of parliament, concerning the leuyng of fines with proclamation, both for avoiding of strife, and also for the suertie of the kinges subiectes, to be had of and in landes, tenementes and hereditamentes by them purchased or obtained: whiche good and beneficiall estatutes do not extende to fines leued in the countie palantine of Lancastre: Be it therfore ordeined and enacted by the kyng our soueraigne lord, and the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this presente parliamente assembled and by the auctorite of the same parliamente, that all and singuler fines, whiche at any time hereafter shall be leued or knowledged before the Iustices of our soueraigne lord the kinge, or of his heires or successours of the countie palantine of Lancastre, commonly called Iustices of assise at Lancastre, or before one of them, of any landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes lying or being within the countie palantine of Lancastre, whiche shall be openly red and proclaimed thre severall daies in the open sessions in the presence of the Iustices of assise at Lancastre or of one of them, for the time being at the same sessions, that the same fine shall fortune to be ingrossed, and also that shall be openly red and proclaimed in the presence of the Iustices of assise at Lancastre, or of one of them for the time being at the two next general sessions, that shalbe holden in the said countie palantine of Lancastre before the Iustices of the same countie, commonly called Iustices of Assise at Lancastre, or before one of them next after the leuyng or ingrossing of suche saide fine at thre severall daies in either of the saide two sessions, after suche maner and forme as is commonly bled in the kinges court of his common place at westm. shall be of like force strength and effect in the lawes to all intentes constructions and purposes, as fines being duly leued with proclamacions before the kinges Iustices of his common place, be or ought to be of.

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Where in the parliament holden at westminster þ. xiiii. day of Januarie, in the .xxv. yere of the kinge our most gracious soueraigne lordes raigne, it was among other things enacted ordeyned and established, that from the .xxiii. day of Aprill then next folowing, the same our soueraigne lord the kinges highnes, his heires or successours vpon any letters patentees of any manours, landes, tenementes or other hereditamentes not excedinge the clere yearly value of fortye shyllynges, belonginge to anye of the late monasteries or religious houses whiche came to hys graces handes, by the acte of parliament, made at westm., in the .xxv. yere of his most gracious reigne: And vpon anye of hys or their letters patentees, made of any houses, tenementes, cotages or gardeins, wher vnto no landes or hereditamentes, did appertaine, not beyng anye of the kynges princely houses, reserved and kepte, by a keper therof to hys graces use, whiche were belongyng to anye of the saide late monasteries or religious houses comprised in the saide acte, made in the saide .xxv. yere of our saide soueraigne lord the kynges reigne: By whiche letters patentees any estate of inheritance should or might passe from the kinges highnes, his heires or successours, might reserve vpon the same letters patentees to his highnes hys heires and successours at hys and their owne will and pleasure, either a tenure by knightes service in Capite, or els a tenure in socage, or free burgage, and not in Capite: any lawe, custome, blage, or any other thing to the contrary therof not withstanding, as by the same acte made in the saide .xxv. yere of our saide soueraigne lord the kynges reigne amongst other thynges moze plainely appeareth. For as muche as diuers and sundrie ambiguities and doubttes haue risen and growen sithen the makinge of the saide acte in the saide .xxv. yere of our saide soueraigne lord the kinges reigne, as well vpon the exposition of the wordes contained in the saide acte, in that that the saide acte doth not extende to any landes or tenementes, other then suche as be expessed in the saide acte, made in the saide .xxv. yere of our saide soueraigne lord the kynges reigne, as also vpon the tenures of diuers manours, landes, tenementes and hereditamentes by his highnes geun and graunted sithen the saide .xxiii. daye of Aprill in the saide .xxv. yere of his most noble reigne.

Be it therfore now ordeyned and enacted, by auctoritie of this presente parliament, that all manour, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuenues, personages, tithes and other hereditamentes, not being at the time of the making of any suche letters patentees heretofore made sithen the saide .xxiii. daye of Aprill, aboue the clere yearly value of fortye shyllynges: and all houses, messuages, cotages, courtillages, orchardes, yardes and gardeins, wherunto no other landes tenementes or hereditamentes were belongyng or appertaining (not being any of the kinges princely houses, reserved and

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and kept by a keeper thereof to his graces use by what so ever title or titles they or any of them came unto his maiesties handes; heretofore geuen or graunted by his maiestie, to any person or persons or bodies politike, whether the sayde xxiii. daye of Aprill, in the sayde xxv. yere of his reygne, by his letters patentes: wherby any estate of inheritaunce hath passed from his highnes: to holde the same of his highnes his heires and successours by fealtie onely, or by fealtie onely and not in Capite, or in socage or free burgage, or by fealtie only in free and common socage, or by fealtie onely in free and common socage and not in Capite, or by any maner of such like wordes in effect: Or to holde the same by fealtie, as of any of his graces honours manours or landes, or by fealty onely, as of anye of his graces honours, manours, or landes, and not in capite, or by any such lyke wordes in effect: Shall from the date of every such letters patentes be adiudged taken and deemed to all intentes and purposes, to be holden in socage or burgage, and not in capite, accordinge to the bette expresse and playne wordes contayned in any such letters patentes, without any further implication construction or explanation of the lawe thereof to be made or had by any person or persons against the same and in no manerwise to be deemed adiudged, or to be taken to be holden in capite, any ambiguitie, doubt or other thing heretofore risen or moved, or hereafter to be moved stired, or let forth to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaide, that the highnes his heires or successours, at any time or times within five yeres, next after the first day of Nouembre laste past, shall and maye at his or their owne willes and pleasure, vpon any letters patentes made or hereafter to be made of any manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuerfions, seruices, personages, tithes, porcions, pencions, and other hereditamētes, not being rated or valued at the time of the making of any such letters patentes aboue the summe of fortie shillings by yere, wherby anye estate of inheritaunce hath or shall passe from his highnes, his heires or successours, houses, messuages, cotages, orchardes, parbes, and gardenes, wherunto none other landes, tenementes, or hereditamētes, do apperteyne onely excepte: And also shall and maye vpon any lyke letters patentes hereafter to be made within the saide five yeres, of any houses messuages, cotages, orchardes, parbes, curtilages, or gardenes, wherunto no other landes, tenementes, or hereditamētes, do appertayne, not being any of the kinges princely houses, reserved and kepte by a keeper thereof to his graces use by what so ever title or titles the said manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuerfions, seruices, personages, tithes, porcions, pencions, houses, tenementes, cotages, gardenes, and other the premises or any of the, so to be geuen or graunted, be come, or hereafter shall come to his graces handes, his heires or successours, reserve either a tenure by knights seruice in capite, or els a tenure by fealty, or in socage or burgage, and not in capite. And that all and singular the sayde generall tenures as well here-

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tofore serued and made s^othen the sayde .xliii. daye of apriyl, in the sayde
 xxxv. yere of our soueraygne lord the kings raigne, as hereafter foloweth,
 in the sayde fyue yeres next hereafter folowynge, to be serued or made,
 and hauinge these two wordes et non in capite, shal from þe date of everye suche
 letters patentes be deemed, adiudged and taken to be tenures in socage,
 or burgage, and not in capite. And that the patentes of the same manours,
 landes, tenementes and other the premises or any part therof, their heyres
 and assignes, and every other person and persons, hauing the same or any
 part therof, shal hold the same manours, landes, tenementes, houses, cotage
 ges, and other hereditamentes, compysed in anye such letters patentes of
 our sayd soueraygne lord the king, his heyres and successours, and hauing
 the sayde woordes et non in capite, by the seruice of fealtie in socage or
 burgage, accordynge to the expresse woordes contayned in anye suche let
 ters patentes: and shal not holde the same or anye parte thereof, of oure
 sayd soueraigne lord, his heyres or successours in chiefe or in capite: nor
 shalbe compelled by reason onely of the same, to sue any luerpe, make fine
 for alienacion, or sue any licence or pardon for anye alienacion onelye there
 of. And the heire and heyres of everye suche patentee, or of their heyres or
 assignes, or any other, hauing any estate, righte or title, of, in, or to the same
 manours, landes, tenementes or hereditamentes, and hauinge no other
 landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, holden of the kinges highnes in
 capite, shal and maye freelye and lawfully after the death of anye suche pa
 tentee their heyres or assignes, or other person or persones hauinge anye
 such estate, right or title, enter into the sayd manours, landes, tenementes,
 houses, cotages and other hereditamentes, compysed or to be compysed
 in anye such letters patentes, wythoute seruing of leuery, onfre lemaine,
 or any fine or fee to be payde for any luerpe onelye thereof, to our sayd soue
 raigne lord the king, his heyres or successours for the same, by reason onely
 of such tenure in socage or burgage, expresse or to be expresse in any of the
 sayd letters patentes: any lawe custome or vslage heretofore had or vled to
 the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

CAn acte for the vnion of churches, not exceeding the
 value of vi, li. Cap. xxi.



Here in diuers and sondrye places within this Realme of
 Englande, there be manye and sondrye personages, the gle
 bes, tithes, and yearely reuenewes and profits, wherof be
 not sufficiente to finde a prieste or curate to serue or myni
 ster to the parishoners thereof, within a myle or lesse of the
 Church, of which poore personages there is in many pla
 ces an other church pertainyng to another parish, standing
 as necessary & commodiously for the accesse of the parishoners of þe other
 poore parishe, as their owne doth. And for as muche as the charges for
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the maintenance of suche two churches and chappels with all maner of reparacions, ornaments and other accustomed duties pertaininge to a church, be muche greater than may be well reised or borne amongst such poore parishioners, and might and shoulde be rated and remedied by the uniting and knittng of suche two churches in one. It made therefore please the hyghes roiall maiestie, with the assente of hys lordes spirituall and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctorite of the same that it maye be enacted and established, that a unyon or consolidation of two churches in one, or of a church and chappell in one, the one of them not beyng above the hetyer value of fiftie poundes, as it is rated and valued at to the kinges shires, in his courtte of the first fructes and tenthes, and not distant from the other above one myle in anye place or places within this realme of Englande, maye be from hence forth had or made by the assent of the ordenary and ordinaries of the diocese, where suche churches and chappels standen, and by the assentes of the incumbentes of them, and of all such as have a iuste right title and interest to the patronages of the same churches and chappels, beyng then of full age. And that all suche unyons and consolidacions had or made of two churches in one, or of a church and chappell in one, as is aforesaid, shall bee goode, sufficient, lawfull, firme, stable and available in the lawe to remaine endure and continue for ever united and knitt in one, in suche maner and fourme, as by wytyng or wytynges vnder the seales of suche ordinaries, incumbentes and patrones it shalbe declared and set forth.

And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that all unyons and consolidacions of all churches and chappelles, which have heretofore ben united or knitt to gether in one by the assent of the ordinaries incumbentes and true and lawfull patrons in fee simple of them, as is aforesaid shall also remaine and be from henceforth adiudged and deemed in the lawe to endue and continue for ever united and knitt in one, with out any dissolution vndoing vnknyting or repeale of them or anye of them, by anye maner of meane or waye. Saving unto the kinges maiestie, his heires & successours all the tenthes and first fructes of all such churches and chappels, as be heretofore united or consolidated in one, or that hereafter shall be united and consolidated in one, according to the same or such lyke rates and valuations as the same churches and chapelles or any of them now are rated or valued at to the kinges saide maiestie, in hys sayde hyghnes courtte of the first fructes and tenthes.

Provided alway, that all unyons and consolidacions, and euerye of them, hereafter to be had or made of any church or chappell within anye cite or towne corporate within this realme of Englande without the assent of the maire shiriffes and comminaltie of the cite, where suche churches church or chappell bee or shall be: Or without the assent of suche bodies corporate or other townes corporat, where suche churches church or chappell be, or shalbe by the names or their corporations in wytyng vnder

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der their common seale, shalbe clerely boide and of no force ne effecte: any thing before expressed, or any ordinaunce law custom or statute to the contrary therof in any wise not withstanding.

Provided also that where the inhabitantes of any such poore parische or the more parte of them, within one yere nexte after the union or consolidation of the same parische, by their outpunge sufficiente in the lawe, shall assure the incumbents of the saide parische for the yearlye paymente of so muche money, as wylthe the summe that the sayde parische is rated and halued at in the kinges highnes saide courtte of the fiftie fructes and tenthes, shall amounte to the full summe of .viij. li. sterlinge, to be leuied and paid yerely by the saide inhabitantes to the saide incumbent and his successors: that than all such unions or consolidacions hereafter to be had or made of anye such poore parische, as is aforesayde shall be voyde and of none effecte: anye thinge statuted or bydeined to the contrary hereof in anye wise not withstanding.

Provided also, that this said prouiso shall not extend to anye union or consolidation of anye church or chappell had or made before the makinge of this estatute: anye thing in the saide prouiso mencioned to the contrary therof not withstandinge.

An acte to fyll by the iuries de circumstantibus. Cap. xxiij.

Be it enacted and established by the kinge our soueraigne lord, the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in thys presente parliamente assembled and the auctoritie of the same, that the acte for none apparance in iuris to haue *De circumstantibus*, made at Westm. at the parliament holden the .xxvj. yere of our saide soueraigne lordes raigne shall continue and remaine vnto the ende of the nexte parliamente in hys full force and strength, in as example maner, as in the said act is purposed.

An acte for the continuance of certaine statutes. Cap. xxiii.



Where in the parliamente begune and holden at London, the thyrde daye of Nouembze in the .xxi. yere of the raigne of oure moste dreade soueraigne lord kynge Henrye the eight, and from thens adiourned to Westm. and there holden and continued by diuers prorogacions vnto the dissolution therof, an acte was made and established declaring and concerning as wel howe aged poore and impotent persons compelled to liue by almes should be ordered and vsed, and also howe vacaboundes & mightie stronge beggers shoulde be whipped and punished, and at the said parliamente one other act was made & established, for the restraint of carting and conueying of hoxes and mares out of this realme, which said two

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seuerall actes were also made to endure to the laste daye of the next parlia-
mente, as by the same two seuerall actes moze plainely appereth, and also
one other acte was there made in the saide parliament for the true making
of cables halters and ropes, and also one other act for the true winding of
woolles, and one other acte to restraine killing of wainlinge bullockes stee-
res and heffers, being vnder the age of two, yeres, which said three seue-
rall actes last before remembred, were then made to endure and continue
vnto the next parliament, as by the same three seuerall actes moze plainly
appereth. And where also in the same parliamēt one other act was made
and established, for the attaintes to bee sued for the punishmente of per-
iurie hypon untrue verdictes, And also one other acte was made there in
the saied parliamente, concerninge sowing of flaxe and hempe, all which
two seuerall actes laste be fore rehersed were then made and ordeined to
continue and endure, to the last daie of the next parliament, as by the same
two seuerall actes moze plainly at large is shewed and made appeare. And
where also in the saide parliamente, one other acte was made and establi-
shed, for making of Jales in diuers shires of this realme, whiche same
acte was then made to continue and endure for one yeare next after the end
of the same parliamente as by the same act also moze plainely appereth.
And where also in the parliamente, begun and holden at westmin. the viij
daie of June, in the xxviii. yeare of the raigne of our saide moste dreade so-
ueraigne lord kinge Henry the eight, and there continued and kept vntill
the dissolution thereof, it was ordeined and enacted that all and singuler
the saide actes aboue remembred, and euery of them should continue and
endure, in their force and strength, and also be obserued and kepte vntill
the last day of the next parliament, as by the same acts amonges other thi-
nges therein contined moze plainely appereth. And where also in the par-
liamente begun and holden at westmin. the xxviii. daie of Aprill, and there
continued vntill the xxviii. daie of June, in the xxxi. yere of the raigne of
our saide moste dreade soneraigne lord kinge Henry the eight, it was or-
deined and enacted by the auctorite of the same parliamente, that all and
singuler the saide seuerall actes aboue remembred, and euery of them, and
all clauses and articles and prouisions in them and euery of them contined
should continu and endure in their force and strength and also be obserued
and kept, vntill the laste daie of the next parliamente, as by the same act
amonges other thinges therein contined, moze plainely appereth; And
where also in the laste session of the same parliament, begune at westm. the
xii. daie of Aprill in the said. xxxi. yeare of the kinges moste noble raigne
and there by diuers prorogacions continued vntill the xxiii. daie of Ju-
ly, in the. xxxii. yere of oure saide soneraigne lord the kings raigne, there
was one other acte made and established for and concerninge the reforma-
cion of mispleadings, Jeofailes and attourneis, whiche saide acte laste
mencioned, with the prouiso were made to endure vntill the last day of the
next parliamente, as by the same act amonges other thinges therein con-

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feined more plainlie appereth, And where in the same parlamente, an acte was made concerninge bieng of fishe vpon the sea, and one other acte was made concerninge the making of woyled yarne, in the countre of flouff: as by the same two actes more at large it maye and doeth appere. And also one other acte was there made in the sayde parlamente for reasonable prices of wines to be sette, and one other acte was made there in the said parlamente concerninge the orderynge and discharginge of thiciffes by their othes, vpon their accountes, as by the same two actes last recited more plainlie in the same actes it doeth appere. And so: as muche as all and singular the said seuerall actes aboue mencioned, be good and beneficiall for the common welthe of this realme be it therfore enacted and ordeined by the auctoritie of this presente parliament, that the said acte concerninge the byringe of fishe vpon the sea, and the said acte concerninge and declaringe how aged and impotent persons compelled to liue by almes shoulde be ordered and bled, and also how vncaboundes and mightye strong beggers shoulde be whipped and punished, and all the residue of the actes and statutes aboue mencioned, and euerye of them, and al clauses articles, and prouisions in them and euerye of theim conteyned, shall continue and endure in their force and strengthe and bee obserued and kepte in all thynges vnto the laste daye of the nexte parliament. And where in the said acte concerninge the settinge of pyces of wines, it is conteyned that the lord Chancellor of Englande, lord tresourer, lord presidente of the kinges counsell, lord priuie seale, and the two cheefe Iustices: or .v. .iii. of them shoulde haue power and auctoritie by their discretions, to set the prices of all kinde of wines, as by the same acte more plainly appereth. See it nowe ordeined and enacted by the auctorite of this presente parlamente, that the said lord chauncellour, lord tresourer, lord presidente, lord priuie seale, and the two cheefe iustices or .v. .iii. of the of them shall, yeaerlye sette the pyces of all kinde of the sayde wines mencioned in the sayde former acte betwene the .xx. daye of Nouember, and the last daye of Decembyr, and at no other tyme or tymes and that all and euerye person sellinge in grosse or by retaile: anye of the said wines mencioned in the same acte, shall not sell anye of the same wines aboue the pyces, so by them set vpon such payne and forfaycture as bee made and provided in the same statute made at Westm. the .xxviii. yeare of the raygne of oure mooste drede soveraigne lord the king.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that if any person or persones nowe haue, or hereafter shall haue anye manner of wines to sel in grosse within any cite borough to wone corporate: or anye other haven, coporate towne or to wones within this realme, or within anye the kinges dominions or territories of the same, and do at anye time hereafter refuse to sell anye kinde of the same wines, accordinge to the price as nowe or at any time here after shall be limited & appointed by the said lord chauncellour, lord tresourer, lord presidente, lord priuie seale, and other the sayde cheefe

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cheefe Justices, or by any fine .iij. or .iiij. of them: that it shall be law-
full to the Maire of the cite of London, Recorder of the same cite, and
two of the aunciente aldermen of the same cite, being no bintners, for the
time being: and to the Maire bailiffes aldermen, and other the heads of-
ficers, or to anye two of them, wherof the Maire or cheefe alderman or
bailiffe to be one, within all and every other cite, borough and porte towne
within this realme, wherem any wynes now be, or hereafter shalbe to sel:
to enter into the houses sellars and places of al and every suche owner and
owners of the same wynes, in anye of the saide cities, boroughes, and porte
townes, and the same wynes lawfully to selle, to the vse of the owners of
the same wynes, to anye person and persones willinge to bye the same, ac-
cording to such pices and rate, as by the saide lord Chancellor, lord trea-
sor, lord presidente, lord puiue seal, and the saide two cheefe Justices
or by anye .v. .iij. of them, is or hereafter shal be, set, limited and as-
signed, accordinge to the tenoure of the sayde acte, made in the saide .xxviii.
yere of the kinges maiesties raigne.

An acte for the confirmation of a subsidie graunted
by the Clergye. Cap. xxiij.

Where the prelates and the Clergye of the prouince of Cantur-
bury haue louingly and liberally for certain considerations, ge-
uen and graunted to the kinges maiestie, a Subsidie of sixe
shillinges of the pound, to be taken and leuied of all and singu-
ler the spiritual promotions within the same prouince, during the terme of
two yeres now next ensuing in such certayne maner and forme, & with di-
uers exceptions, and prouissions, specified & contained in acertaine instru-
ment by them therof made & deliuered to the kings highnes vnder the seale
of tharchbishop of Canturbury, as in the same instrument exhibited in thes
present parliament moze plainely it doth appere, the tendur wherof ensueth
in these wordes.

The prelates and clergie of the prouince of Canturbury (your high-
nesse moste humble and moste bounden datelye oratours) considering and
weighinge thineestimable cost and charges which your moste royal ma-
iestie of long season hath susteyned, and continuallye susteineth, sacre ex-
ceeding the expenses of any your noble progenitours by sundrye occasions
and amonges other by reason of the most weightie affaires of your war-
res, in maintaininge of your great puissant and mightye armies, bothe in
Scotlande and Fraunce, by lande & by seas, for the defence and publike
wealthe of this your realme, and other your dominions. Consideryng al-
so how that in suche ygent necessities and occasions, it is moste conueni-
ente, that all members doe suffer and beare with their naturall brade, by
whome the wholle hadge is gouerned, ruled directed and preserued, and
specialle

Speciall for such members as by the same head receiue moste benefite and re-
liefe. And therefore your obedient clergyre bothe acknowledge our moste
bountifull dutie and office towarde your maiestie our chiefe heade vnder al-
mightie God: And also challenge to our mindes, how that aboue all other
your lawinge subiectes, we be moste bounden vnto your excellencie for ma-
nie causes and benefites and singularie amonge other for the speciall qui-
etnesse, whiche wee enioye by your maiesties godly prouidence in moste
buste and troublous times, enioying in the middes of the most cruell and
deadele warres, the benefite commoditie and fruite of peace and quietnes
hauling alwaies tranquil oportunitie without impediment of disturbaunce
to applye sure selfe, onely to serue in suche wise, as to oure vocacion and
duties apperteyneth: haue of our owne mere longing tender myndes and
good wil geuen and graunted, and by these presentes do geue and graunt
vnto your maiestie, a subside towarde your said charges, in maner and
fourme folowing: That is to saye, that euery archbishop bishop deane ar-
chedeacon prebendarie prouost maister of colleges maister of hospitalles
person vicar chauntrie priest, and euery other person or persons, of what
so euer name or degree he or they be enioying any spiritual promotion or
other temporall possessions to the same spiritual promotion annexed now
not deuided nor seporate by acte of parliament or other wise from the pos-
session of the clergyre, shall paye to your highnes for euery pound that he
maye yerely spende by reason of the same spiritual promotion the summe
of six shillings. And for the true and certaine knowledg of the yerely va-
lues of the said promotions, and euery of them, wherof the payment shoulde
be made the rate taxation and valuation and estimacion remaininge of
recorde in your maiesties court of the first fructes and tenthes for the pay-
mente of the perpetuall dimes, concerninge all suche promotions as be in
possession of your clergyre, or any other not deuided by act of parliamente
or otherwyle (as is aforesayde) shall bee folowed and obserued withoute
making any valuation rate taxation or estimacion, other than in your said
recorde is compilled.

¶ Prouided alwaies that for as muche as the tenth parte of the sayde
valuation and rate before mentioned, is yerely payed to your highnes for
the perpetuall dime, so as there remaineth only nine partes to the incum-
bente clere, this subside of six shillings of the pounde shall be vnderstand
of the same nine partes and no more.

¶ Prouided alwaies that no personne, that is already promoted to any
spiritual benefice when the firste daye of Maye laste passe before the date
herof, or that hereafter shalbe promoted to any spiritual benefice on this
side the firste daye of Maye, whiche shall be in the yere of our lord god a
thousand five hundred forty and seven, shall bee contributory or charged
to your highnes with any parte of this subside, duringe the firste yere of
his sayde promotion.

¶ And our sayde prelates and clergyre also graunte that this subside of six
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of the pound of the petye cleve value of every promotion, rated as a foie shall be paid to your maiestie within two yeaeres next ensuyng the date hereof, at the receipte of your graces Treasorarie of youre courte of firste frutes and tenthes, or of anye other personne or persones, whome it shall please your highnes to appointe ther vnto, that is to saye, thye shillinges of every pounde in euerye of the saide two yeres, at suche daies and tymes as hereafter foloweth: that is to saie, At the firste day of May next ensuinge, whiche shalbe in the yere of our lord god, a thousande five hundred fourtie and sixe. And in the saide firste day of Maye then nexte folowinge whiche shalbe in the yere of our lord god a thousande five hundred fortye and seuen.

Item we your graces saide prelates and clergie also graunte, that euerye priest, hauing a pension by reason of the dissolution of anye of the late monasteries, colleges and hospitalles, or anye other incorporation within the sayde prouince of Cantorburie, shall like wise pay to youre highnesse vi. s. of euerye pounde of the saide pensions, within the saide two yeres, at suche daye and tyme as is before specified: and that for the sure paymente therof a deduction and retencion of the sayde fyve shillinges be made in the handes of the payers of the sayde pension, after the proportion of. iii. s. of the pounde, euery of the said two yeres to be deliuered and paid vnto your maiesties vlt. at suche time, and to suche persons, as the subside of. vi. s. aforesaide shalbe paid vnto.

Item your saide prelates and clergie also graunt, that euerye priest, receyvinge annuall stipende, being no perpetuall, within the sayde prouince shall pay vnto your graces vlt. vi. s. vii. d. in euerye of the same two yeres at the same daies, and vnder the same penalties as the rest of the clergie do paye for their promotions.

Item the same prelates and clergie further graunten, that euerye archbishop and bishop, and the see being vacant, euerye deane and chapter of that see void, shall bee collectors of thys subside within theyr propre diocesse.

And for the better recoverye of the sayde collection youre sayde prelates and clergie humbly beseechen youre highnes, that they maye haue full power and authoritie, by your maiestie and highe courte of parliamente, to vse all suche wayes meanes and processe, as be prescribed in youre acte of your perpetuall diuine, for the collection and leuyng of the same: and shall make account thereof before the chancellour or treasurer and other officers of your graces courte of firste frutes and tenthe, or in such other place, as it shall please your highnes to appointe, in suche wise and after suche forme ordeine, as the sayde archbishop and bishoppes bee nowe charged for the collection of the perpetuall diuine: no better is ment, howe the lacke and default of payment of and for anye particular promotion, shall none charge the incumbent, and suche as be bounde to paye the same

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and that vpon such peines as be provided in that acte of perpetuall disme, against them that make default in that behalfe. And that tharchebishop bishop or deane & chapter, gathering that they can receive, & makinge payment therof, shal for the rest, not by them received, be discharged by their certificate to be made by the first day of August in every of the saide two yerres, into your courte of first frutes and tenth. And, vi. pence of every pounce, wherewith the collectours shalbe charged in his accompte, clerely to be paid into the saide recepte: or into such other place as it shal please your excellencie to appointe, shalbe allowed to the same collector for his saide accompte for the same, for the charges and collectione, portage and saile containing and payng of the saide subsidie.

Provided alwaies that this subsidie graunted by your clergie shal not be demaunded or leised out of any benefice or college, situate or let within youre universites, of Cambrydg and Orenford, or of any benefice or other reuenues, vnto any colledge of Cambrydg or Orenford, vnited, appropriated or apperteyninge: or of youre colledge of Eton nyghe winderfore: or of the colledge of Winchester, founded by William Wykeham, sometime bishop of Winchester, or of any other church or benefice or of any other reuenues to the said colleges or to any of them annexed appropriated, or other wise apperteyning.

Provided alwaies that no spiritual promotion, or any landes or reuenues annexed to the same, beyng charged by this graunte or acte of the prouince of Canturbury or any goodes or cattalles, growyng, beyng or renewyng of the same, and pertynyng to the owners of the saide spiritual promotions and landes, shalbe charged or made contributorye to any, ch. or other subsidie aiedie graunted to your highnesse of the late see, or hereafter to be graunted, duringe the terme of the saide two yerres.

Item we your graces said humble prelates and clergie further graunt that every of your graces new erected bishoppes, deanes, prebendaries peticantions and preachers, shal be charged to hys subsidie for their owne portions onely therof to paye .vi. s. of the pounce within the sayde two yerres, as is aboue rehered of other bishoppes and spiritual persons, and those portions of rentes and reuenues, which your highnesse hath geuen vnto them for the maintenance of poore men, grammarians, queresters, studentes, and other officers and ministers, not to bee charged with any parte of this subsidie.

Provided also that every person vicar or other spiritual man, payng any pension, wherof none allowance is made in valuation of hys saide benefice, shal and maye reterne three shillings of every pounce of every such pension, every yere during the saide two yerres, to hys owne relief in consideration that he is charged to paye this subsidie of five shillings of the pounce out of every pounce of the hols value of his promotion.

And for the sure and true paymente of this Subsidie, graunted by your

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your sayde prelates and clergie of the province of Cantorburie, accordinge to the tenour, purport, effect and true meaning of this present instrument your sayde oratours the prelates and the clergie most humble desire and require your highnesse, that this their sayde giftes graunte and Subsidie and every matter summe of money clause and sentence in this instrument contained, concernyng the sayde subsidie, may be ratified established and confirmed by authoritie of your high court of parliament.

And for the sure and true paymente of the sayde subsidie, graunted by the sayde prelates and clergie of the sayde province of Cantorburie according to the tenour effect and true meaning of the sayd instrument.

Be it enacted by the kinges highnesse, with the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and of the commons in this presente parliamente assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that the sayde giftes and graunte, and every matter, summe of money clause or sentence in the sayde instrumente contained, be ratified established and confirmed by the authoritie aforesaide.

And furthermore be it enacted by the authoritie of this presente parliament, that every persone that shall bee appointed to the collection and gathering of the sayde subsidie, shall have full power and authoritie, to leuie take and percieve the same subsidie by authoritie of the Censures of the church; or by distresse upon the possessions of the fermours or owners of the landes and tenementes, chargeable by this act for or to the payment of any summe or summes of money, or other wise by the distraccion of the collectours thereof.

And that no replevie, prohibition, or superseades shall bee allowed or obeyed for any persone or persons making default of paymente of the sayde subsidie, contrarie to the tenour of the graunte therof: untill suche tyme as they have fully satisfied and contented all suche parte and portion, as to them in that behalf apperteyneth. And that everye suche fermour or fermours that shall fortune hereafter to be charged to and with the paiement, or anye parte of the sayde subsidie, shall by the authoritie aforesaide, be allowed, and reteyne in his handes as muche of his yerely ferme and rente, as the summe whiche hee shall fortune to paie for his lord or lessour, shall extende and amount unto: anye writinge couenaunte bonde or other thing had or made to the contrarie in any wise not withstandinge.

And for the leuynge of the sayde Subsidie of fyve shillinges of the pounde, and for the yerely pensions whiche anye prieste or other person or persons, whiche heretofore have bene religious, or taken for religious, persons doe or shall receiue at the court of augmentacions, the chancelloure of the same court, for the tyme being shall perelie, during the sayde twoo yeres, that is to saye, at the feast of the Annunciacion of our ladye nexte commynge, and at the same feast of the Annunciacion of oure Ladye then nexte ensuynge, deteyne and reteine in his handes, or cause to bee deteyned

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or retained in the handes of other the officers and ministers of the same courte, to the kinges vse, for every pounce of the same pencions. iii.s. And the same shall wel and truly pay or cause to be paide, into the said courte of the tenth and first frutes, or els where as the kinges highnesse shall appointe, before the first daye of August, without any charge to be made or susteined in that behalfe.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that every other personie, or persons, whiche pay or be chargeable to pay, any yerely rente pension or pencions to any priest or other person or personnes, whiche heretofore have ben religious, or taken for religious persons, chargeable to the payment of the saide subsidie, that everie suche person or personnes, whiche doe so pay, or here after shall pay any of the said yerely rentes, pension or pencions, shall not onely duringe the saide two yeres, retaine in his handes yerely to the kinges vse, for every pounce of the same yerely rentes, pension or pencions, iii. s. and the same well and truly pay or cause to be paid yearly, during the same two yeres, unto the ordinatie of the same dioces, or to the collectours of the saide subsidie there, to the kinges vse, but also shall yerely during the said two yeres, before the first day of Maye certifie vnder his or their seale or seales unto the saide courte of the tenth and first frutes, or els where it shall please the kinges highnes to appointe the names and surnames of all and singuler suche priestes, or other persones religious, or heretofore taken for religious persons, as is aforesaid, and the true yerely rentes or pencions which they or any of the be intituled to have or receive yerely, as is aforesaide.

¶ And that the chauncellour for the time beyng, of the kinges courte of augmentacions of the reuenues of the kinges crowne, shall likewise yerely during the saide two yeres, before the first day of May, certifie vnder the seale of the same courte, not onely the names and surnames of all and singuler priestes and other persons, chargeable for the saide several rentes and yerely pencions to the payment of the saide subsidie, in the saide courte of the tenth and first frutes, or els where it shall please the kinges maiestie to appoint, but also the true and iust yerely summe, and summes, of the same yerely rentes or pencions, with the names and surnames of the persons chargeable to the payment therof.

¶ And that the archebischoppe or bishop of everie diocesse within the saide prouince of Canterburie, shall yerely duringe the saide two yeres before the first day of August, certifie vnder his seale, in the saide court of the tenth and first frutes, or els where it shall please the kinge to appoint, the names and surnames of all and singuler stipendarye priestes, beyng within any of their dioceses, chargeable to the sayde paymente of the saide subsidie, as is aforesaide. And also the name and surnames of every such person and persones, with whom he or they doo dwell and take any stipend or wages.

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¶ And bee it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaide, that euerie such person or persons, whiche within the saide two yeres, shall haue and paye any stipende or wages to anye suche priest (as is aforesaide) shall for the insufficiency or default of euerie of the same priest or priests being in seruire or wages with him, at the saide first date of Whise be charged and chargeable to and with the paymente of. vi. s. viii. d. for the same person.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaide, that the sayde archbishoppe, bishoppes and all other persons chargeable to and with the collection of the saide Subsidie of. xii. s. the pounde, within the saide prouince of Caunturburpe, shall haue upon euery paymente therof made in the kinges courte of the tenth and firste fruites, or els where the kinges maiestie shall appoint, a sufficient Acquitaunce in writinge of suche person or persons as the kinges maiestie shall appointe for the recepte thereof, the same Acquitaunce witnessing the same receipte of as muche of the same summe of the same subsidie, as shall be by anye of them so receiued.

¶ And euerie such Acquitaunce in writinge, sealed and subscribed wyth the name or names of euery suche person or personnes, that so by the kinges appointmente shall receiue anye of the saide summes of money, shall be as good and effectuell in the lawe and also a sufficient discharge to all intentes constructions and purposes, as if it were made by acte of parliamente. And that euery person and persones, which shall haue and receiue anye suche acquitaunte, shall paye but onely twoo pence for euerye of the same acquitaunce.

¶ Be it also enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that al and euerye graunt and grauntes of all and euery summe and summes of money, whiche here after shall bee graunted to the kinges highnesse by the clergye of the prouince of poike, shall bee of the same strengthe force and effecte in all thynges, as the saide graunt made by the saide prouince of Canturbury: And shall be taxed certified collected leuied and gathered, accordinge to the tenoure fourme and effecte of this present acte of parliament to all intentes constructions & purposes, in suche manner as though it were specially plainely and particularly expessed and reherfed in this presente acte by expessed wordes termes and sentences in their seuerall natures and kindes.

¶ Provided alwaye and be it enacted by auctorite aforesaide, that euerie laie person hauing anye spirituall promotion chargeable by thys acte and also hauing tempozall possessions goodes cattelles and debtes, chargeable to the subsidie, graunted by the tempozalltie, shall be charged taxed and set for his saide spirituall promotion with the clergye: and for his tempozall possessions goodes and cattelles with the tempozalltie, and not otherwise.

¶ Provided alwaye and be it enacted by the auctorite abouesaide, that all such as haue bene religious persons and other hauing anye pencion by reason of any dissolucion of any late monasterie college or hospitailes, or anye

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any other corporations within the province of cantabrigie and Herts.
or any of them, and being of the summe of fourtie shillings or under, and
not above, shall not be charged or chargeable to the sayde subbscribers, or any
parte therof for anye suche pension of .xj. s. or under: any thing contrary
thereto in this acte, or in any the said instrumentes, or any of them, to the con-
trarie notwithstanding.

God save the kinge.

